

## *Supplementary Material*

### Supplementary Data 1

*Survey's questions and answer choices for autistic adults, carers and professionals*

Question autistic adult	Question carer	Question professional	Answer autistic adult	Answer carer	Answer professional
Demographic characteristics					
N/A	N/A	Thinking of your work history, what job or career title fits you best?	N/A	N/A	General practitioner Psychiatrist Medical specialist, other than psychiatrist Nurse Other medical professional Psychologist Social worker Teacher/pedagogue Teaching assistant/nursery assistant Mental health therapist Physical or occupational therapist I work in the area of criminal justice (e.g., police, courts, legal advocate) Other, please specify
N/A	N/A	Thinking of your work history, how many years in total have you been in jobs in adult services	N/A	N/A	< 1 year 1-2 years 3-5 years 6-10 years

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		and care (social, medical, or other services)			> 10 years
What is your gender?	What is your gender?	What is your gender?	Male	Male	Male
			Female	Female	Female
			Other/no answer	Other/no answer	Other/no answer
How old are you?	How old are you?	N/A	18-25	18-25	18-25
			26-35	26-35	26-35
			36-45	36-45	36-45
			46-55	46-55	46-55
			56-64	56-64	56-64
			> 65	> 65	> 65
N/A	How many years of education did you complete?	N/A	N/A	< 10 years	N/A
				10-12 years	
				13-16 years	
				> 16 years	
Are you going to a school, a home school or in an education program now?	N/A	N/A	Yes, full time	N/A	N/A
			Yes, part time		
			No		
If no, do you remember your age when you finished your education?	N/A	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A
			No		
How old were you when you finished your education?	N/A	N/A	_____	N/A	N/A
If yes, what kind of education are you in now?	N/A	N/A	Primary level school	N/A	N/A
			Secondary level school (for example high school or gymnasium)		
			Technical, vocational or job training school		

What kind of education were you in when you finished your education:	N/A	N/A	College or university Secondary - level school (for example high school or gymnasium) Technical, vocational or job training school College or university Don't know	N/A	N/A
Are you:	What is your current employment status now? Pick the answer that fits you best.	N/A	N/A	Student Unemployed Employed (part time or full time) Self-employed Retired Volunteer	N/A
If you are unemployed, is it because:	N/A	N/A	You are a student You are retired You are looking for a job You believe that you cannot find a job You have a disability that prevents you from having a job Other, please specify	N/A	N/A
What country do you live in?	What country do you live in?	What country do you work in?	Austria Belgium	Austria Belgium	Austria Belgium

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			Bulgaria	Bulgaria	Bulgaria
			Denmark	Denmark	Denmark
			England	England	England
			Finland	Finland	Finland
			France	France	France
			Iceland	Iceland	Iceland
			Italy	Italy	Italy
			Northern Ireland	Northern Ireland	Northern Ireland
			Poland	Poland	Poland
			Portugal	Portugal	Portugal
			Republic of Ireland	Republic of Ireland	Republic of Ireland
			Romania	Romania	Romania
			Scotland	Scotland	Scotland
			Spain	Spain	Spain
			Wales	Wales	Wales
			Other, specify	Other, specify	Other, specify
N/A	What is the autistic adult's gender?	N/A	N/A	Male Female Other/no answer	N/A
N/A	How old is the autistic adult?	N/A	N/A	18-25 26-35 36-45 46-55 56-64 > 65	N/A
N/A	How many years have you known the autistic adult?	N/A	N/A	Less than 1 year 1-5 years 5-10 years	N/A

				More than 10 years but not the adult's whole life	
				The adult's whole life	
N/A	How are you related to the autistic adult?	N/A	N/A	Parent	N/A
				Other family member related by blood (not a parent, but for example a child, cousin, grand parent, uncle etc.)	
				Spouse or partner	
				A carer, but not a family member, spouse or partner	
Where do you live now?	Where is the autistic adult living now?	Thinking of your current job location where is it located?	Capital city	Capital city	Capital city
			Other than a capital city	Other than a capital city	Other than a capital city
How many people live in the community where you live now? (Answer the best you can)	How many people live in the community where the autistic adult lives now? Answer as best you can	How many people live in the community where your current job is located?	< 1.000 people	< 1.000 people	< 1.000 people
			1.000-20.000 people	1.000-20.000 people	1.000-20.000 people
			20.000-100.000 people	20.000-100.000 people	20.000-100.000 people
			100.000-1.000.000	100.000-1.000.000	100.000-1.000.000
			> 1.000.000	> 1.000.000	> 1.000.000
			Don't Know	Don't Know	Don't Know
N/A	Pick the description that best fits the autistic adult.	N/A	N/A	Has a high level of independence	N/A
				Has some independence but needs support	
				Needs a high level of support in daily living	
				Needs high level institution-like care	

N/A	N/A	The experience and knowledge about services for adults that you have from your current job is:	N/A	N/A	Most closely connected to your current job location (e.g., capital city or small town)  Most closely connected to your current job location and a wider area (e.g., the region or state where your job is located)  Most closely connected to the whole country
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Residential services

Are you in a residential service now or have been at some time in the last 2 years?	Is the adult in a residential service now or has been at some time in the last 2 years?	Do you have knowledge of and work experience in residential services that are currently available for adults, including autistic adults?	Yes  No	Yes  No  Don't know	Yes  No
Have you tried to get a residential service at some time in the last 2 years?	Has the adult, or someone for the adult, tried to get a residential service at some time in the last 2 years?	N/A	Yes, I have tried to get the service, and I did NOT succeed  No, I have not tried to get the service	Yes, the adult, or someone for the adult, tried to get the service, but did NOT succeed  No, nobody has tried to get the service	N/A
If yes, what kind of residential service were you trying to get? (Check all that apply) If you have tried to get a residential service more than one time, please think of the most recent time that you tried.	If yes, what kind of residential service did the adult, or someone for the adult, try to get? (Check all that apply)  If the adult, or someone for the adult, has tried to get a residential service more than one time, please think of the most	For each type of adult residential service available for autistic persons, select the availability that best fits what you know.	Help in own home	Help in own home	Help in own home (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it

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<p>Day center (a place a person goes to during the day and returns home at night)</p>	<p>Day center (a place a person goes to during the day and returns home at night)</p>	<p>Day center (a place a person goes to during the day and returns home at night) (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available; Don't know)</p>
<p>Full time residential facility</p>	<p>Full time residential facility</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>N/A</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Full time residential facility with private bedroom only (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available; Don't know)</p>
<p>N/A</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Full time residential facility with full apartment (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in</p>

other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available; Don't know)

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			Help while living in a college or school dormitory	Help while living in a college or school dormitory	Help while living in a college or school dormitory (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available; Don't know)
			Caregiver respite care	Caregiver respite care	Caregiver respite care (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available; Don't know)
			Other, please specify	Other, please specify	N/A
What kind of office or organization did you go to in order to apply for your residential service? (Check all that apply)	What kind of office or organization was used to apply for the adult's residential service? (Check all that apply)	N/A	Public office or organization	Public office or organization	N/A
			Private office or organization	Private office or organization	N/A
			Charity-, advocacy- or volunteer-based organization	Charity-, advocacy- or volunteer-based organization	N/A
If you have applied for a residential service more than one time, please think of	If the adult, or someone for the adult, has applied for a residential service more than one time, please think of the most recent time that it		Don't know	Don't know	N/A

the most recent time that you applied. was applied for.

At the organization, did the employees that worked with you to apply for residential services:	At the organization, did the employees that worked with the adult to apply for residential services:	N/A	Seem knowledgeable about autism spectrum? (Yes; Some were and some were not; No; Don't know)	Seem knowledgeable about autism spectrum? (Yes; Some were and some were not; No; Don't know)	N/A
			Seem knowledgeable about the kinds of services and care that were available for you? (Yes; Some were and some were not; No; Don't know)	Seem knowledgeable about the kinds of services and care that were available for adults with autism spectrum? (Yes; Some were and some were not; No; Don't know)	N/A
			Provide information about care and services that was easy for you to understand? (Yes; Some were and some were not; No; Don't know)	Provide information about care and services that was easy to understand by the autistic adult? (Yes; Some were and some were not; No; Don't know)	N/A
What kind of residential service did you get? (Check all that apply)	What kind of residential service did the adult get? (Check all that apply)		Help in own home	Help in own home	N/A
			Day center (a place a person goes to during the day and returns home at night)	Day center (a place a person goes to during the day and returns home at night)	N/A
			Full time residential facility	Full time residential facility	N/A
			Help while living in a college or school dormitory	Help while living in a college or school dormitory	N/A
			Caregiver respite care	Caregiver respite care	N/A

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Was the residential service set-up for: (check all that apply)	Was the residential service set-up for (Check all that apply)	N/A	Other, please specify	Other, please specify	N/A
			All adults	All adults	N/A
			Adults with handicaps or special needs, specifically	Adults with handicaps or special needs, specifically	N/A
			Adults with autism spectrum, specifically	Adults with autism spectrum, specifically	N/A
			Don't know	Don't know	N/A
			Other, please specify	N/A	N/A

What was the waiting time for you to get into the residential service?	What was the waiting time for the adult to get into the residential service?	N/A	< 1 month	< 1 month	N/A
			1-3 months	1-3 months	N/A
			3-6 months	3-6 months	N/A
			> 6 months	> 6 months	N/A
			Don't know	Don't know	N/A
N/A	N/A	To the best of your knowledge, what is the waiting time before an autistic adult can get into a residential service in the "area where you work now"?	N/A	N/A	Help in own home (This service not currently available; < 1 month; 1-3 months; 3-6 months; > 6 months; Don't know)
			N/A	N/A	Day center (a place a person goes to during the day and returns home at night) (This service not currently available; < 1 month; 1-3 months; 3-6 months; > 6 months; Don't know)
			N/A	N/A	Full time residential facility with private bedroom only (This service not currently available; < 1 month; 1-3 months; 3-6 months; > 6 months; Don't know)
			N/A	N/A	Full time residential facility with full apartment (This service not currently available; < 1 month; 1-3 months; 3-6 months; > 6 months; Don't know)
			N/A	N/A	Help while living in a college or school dormitory (This service not currently available;

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months; > 6  
months; Don't  
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			N/A	N/A	Caregiver respite care (This service not currently available; < 1 month; 1-3 months; 3-6 months; > 6 months; Don't know)
Does or did the residential service provide:	To the best of your knowledge, does the adult's residential service provide:	To the best of your knowledge, do the residential services for adults in the "area where you work now" provide:	Structured activities for you (Yes; No; Does not apply; Don't know)	Structured activities for the residents (Yes; No; Does not apply; Don't know)	Structured activities for the residents (Yes; No, but there are plans in motion to get it started; No, but I believe that it may be helpful; No, and I believe that it is not needed; Don't know; Does not apply)
			Activities for you to feel part of the community (Yes; No; Does not apply; Don't know)	Activities for the residents to feel part of the community	Activities for the residents to feel part of the community (Yes; No, but there are plans in motion to get it started; No, but I believe that it may be helpful; No, and I believe that it is not needed; Don't know; Does not apply)
			Opportunities for you to go into different places in the community (Yes; No; Does not apply; Don't know)	Opportunities for the residents to go into different places in the community	Opportunities for the residents to go into different places in the community (Yes; No, but there are plans in motion to get it started; No, but I believe that it may be helpful; No, and I believe that it is not needed; Don't know; Does not apply)
			A physical environment that was adapted to your needs (Yes; No; Does not apply; Don't know)	A physical environment that is adapted to the needs of adults with autism spectrum (Yes; No; Does not apply; Don't know)	A physical environment that is adapted to the needs of adults with autism spectrum (Yes; No, but there are plans in motion to get it started; No, but I

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			Staff with specialist autism spectrum training (Yes; No; Does not apply; Don't know)	Staff with specialist autism spectrum training (Yes; No; Does not apply; Don't know)	Staff with specialist autism spectrum training (Yes; No, but there are plans in motion to get it started; No, but I believe that it may be helpful; No, and I believe that it is not needed; Don't know; Does not apply)
			Ways to get specialist care when it is needed (Yes; No; Does not apply; Don't know)	Ways to get specialist care when it is needed (Yes; No; Does not apply; Don't know)	Ways to get specialist care when it is needed (Yes; No, but there are plans in motion to get it started; No, but I believe that it may be helpful; No, and I believe that it is not needed; Don't know; Does not apply)
			Ways to coordinate other services you need with providers in the area (Yes; No; Does not apply; Don't know)	Ways to coordinate services with other providers in the area, if needed (Yes; No; Does not apply; Don't know)	Ways to coordinate services with other providers in the area (Yes; No, but there are plans in motion to get it started; No, but I believe that it may be helpful; No, and I believe that it is not needed; Don't know; Does not apply)
			N/A	Support for employment (Yes; No; Does not apply; Don't know)	N/A
			N/A	Support for independent living	N/A
If you could choose a residential service that fits your needs best now, what would you choose? (Please, tick 1 box)	If you could choose a residential service that fits the adult's needs best now, what would you choose? (Please, tick 1 box)	Which 2 types of residential services do you think are most needed for autistic adults in the "area where you work now": (Please, tick 2 boxes).	I am satisfied with what I have now	The adult is satisfied with what he or she has	I prefer to not make a choice
			Help in own home	Help in own home	Help in own home
			Day center (a place a person goes to during	Day center (a place a person goes to during	Day center (a place a person goes to during the day and

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			the day and returns home at night)	the day and returns home at night)	returns home at night)
			Full time residential facility	Full time residential facility	N/A
			N/A	N/A	Full time residential facility, private bedroom only
			N/A	N/A	Full time residential facility, full apartment
			Help while living in a college or school dormitory	Help while living in a college or school dormitory	Help while living in a college or school dormitory
			Caregiver respite care	Caregiver respite care	Caregiver respite care
			Other, please specify	Other, please specify	Other, please specify
Do you know of an adult residential service, in your area or elsewhere in your country, which works very well for autistic adults?	Do you know of an adult residential service, in your area or elsewhere in your country, which works very well for autistic adults?	Do you know of an adult residential service, in your area or elsewhere in your country, which works very well for autistic adults?	Yes	Yes	Yes
			No	No	No
			N/A	N/A	Don't know

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Employment services

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Job placement specific for persons with autism spectrum	Job placement specific for persons with autism spectrum	Job placement specific for persons with autism (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available; Don't know)
Employment counseling specific for persons with autism spectrum	Employment counseling specific for persons with autism spectrum	Employment counseling specific for persons with autism (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available; Don't know)
N/A	N/A	Employer programs to encourage employment of persons with autism (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans

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<p>Internships or work placement</p>	<p>Internships or work placement</p>	<p>Internships or work placement (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available; Don't know)</p>
<p>Sheltered employment training (employment training in a separate setting to prepare persons for employment in a regular setting)</p>	<p>Sheltered employment training (employment training in a separate setting to prepare persons for employment in a regular setting)</p>	<p>Sheltered employment training (employment training in a separate setting to prepare persons for employment in a regular setting) (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available; Don't know)</p>
<p>Sheltered employment (employment in a separate setting for persons who cannot work in a regular work place)</p>	<p>Sheltered employment (employment in a separate setting for persons who cannot work in a regular work place)</p>	<p>Sheltered employment (employment in a separate setting for persons who cannot work in a regular work place) (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it</p>

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Job mentors (for example, a job coach or other special help at work)	Job mentors (for example, a job coach or other special help at work)	Job mentors (for example, a job coach or other special help at work) (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available; Don't know)
N/A	N/A	Employer training about autism (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available; Don't know)
N/A	N/A	Reasonable adjustments in the workplace for employees with autism (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans

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			Other, please specify	Other, please specify	N/A
What kind of office or organization did you go to in order to apply for your employment service? (Check all that apply)	What kind of office or organization was used to apply for the adult's employment service? (Check all that apply)	N/A	Public office or organization	Public office or organization	N/A
			Private office or organization	Private office or organization	N/A
			Charity-, advocacy- or volunteer-based organization	Charity-, advocacy- or volunteer-based organization	N/A
If you have applied for an employment service more than one time, please think of the most recent time that you applied.	If the adult, or someone for the adult, has applied for an employment service more than one time, please think of the most recent time that it was applied for.		Don't know	Don't know	N/A
At the organization, did the employees that worked with you to apply for employment services:	At the organization, did the employees that worked with the adult to apply for employment services:	N/A	Seem knowledgeable about autism spectrum? (Yes; Some were and some were not; No; Don't know)	Seem knowledgeable about autism spectrum? (Yes; Some were and some were not; No; Don't know)	N/A
			Seem knowledgeable about the kinds of services and care that were available for you? (Yes; Some were and some were not; No; Don't know)	Seem knowledgeable about the kinds of services and care that were available for adults with autism spectrum? (Yes; Some were and some were not; No; Don't know)	N/A
			Provide information about care and services that was easy for you to understand? (Yes; Some were and some were not; No; Don't know)	Provide information about care and services that was easy to understand by the autistic adult? (Yes; Some were and some were not; No; Don't know)	N/A
What kind of	What kind of	N/A	Employment	Employment	N/A

employment service did you get? (Check all that apply)

employment service did the adult get? (Check all that apply)

skills training

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- Community job center (not specific for autism spectrum)      Community job center (not specific for autism spectrum)      N/A
- Job placement specific for persons with autism spectrum      Job placement specific for persons with autism spectrum      N/A
- Employment counseling specific for persons with autism spectrum      Employment counseling specific for persons with autism spectrum      N/A
- Internships or work placement      Internships or work placement      N/A
- Sheltered employment training (employment training in a separate setting to prepare persons for employment in a regular setting)      Sheltered employment training (employment training in a separate setting to prepare persons for employment in a regular setting)      N/A
- Sheltered employment (employment in a separate setting for persons who cannot work in a regular work place)      Sheltered employment (employment in a separate setting for persons who cannot work in a regular work place)      N/A
- Job mentors (for example, a job coach or other special help at work)      Job mentors (for example, a job coach or other special help at work)      N/A
- Other, please specify      Other, please specify      N/A

Was the employment service set-up

Was the employment service set-up for:

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Adults with

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N/A

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for: (Check all that apply)	(Check all that apply)		handicaps or special needs, specifically	handicaps or special needs, specifically	
			Adults with autism spectrum, specifically	Adults with autism spectrum, specifically	N/A
			Don't know	Don't know	N/A
			Other, please specify	Other, please specify	N/A
What was the waiting time before you could get into the employment service?	What was the waiting time for the adult to get into the employment service?	N/A	< 1 month	< 1 month	N/A
			1-3 months	1-3 months	N/A
			3-6 months	3-6 months	N/A
			> 6 months	> 6 months	N/A
		N/A	Don't know	Don't know	N/A
N/A	N/A	To the best of your knowledge, what is the waiting time before an autistic adult can get into an employment service in the "area where you work now"?	N/A	N/A	Employment skills training (This service not currently available; < 1 month; 1-3 months; 3-6 months; > 6 months; Don't know)
			N/A	N/A	Job placement specific for persons with autism (This service not currently available; < 1 month; 1-3 months; 3-6 months; > 6 months; Don't know)
			N/A	N/A	Employment counseling specific for persons with autism (This service not currently available; < 1 month; 1-3 months; 3-6 months; > 6 months; Don't know)
			N/A	N/A	Internships or work placement (This service not

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			N/A	N/A	Sheltered employment training (employment training in a separate setting to prepare persons for employment in a regular setting) (This service not currently available; < 1 month; 1-3 months; 3-6 months; > 6 months; Don't know)
			N/A	N/A	Sheltered employment (employment in a separate setting for persons who cannot work in a regular work place) (This service not currently available; < 1 month; 1-3 months; 3-6 months; > 6 months; Don't know)
			N/A	N/A	Job mentors (for example, a job coach or other special help at work) (This service not currently available; < 1 month; 1-3 months; 3-6 months; > 6 months; Don't know)
If you could choose an employment service that fits your needs best now, what would you choose? (Please, tick 1 box)	If you could choose an employment service that fits the adult's needs best now, what would you choose? (Please, tick 1 box)	Which 2 types of employment services do you think are most needed for autistic adults in the "area where you work now" (Please, tick 2 boxes).	I am satisfied with what I have now	The adult is satisfied with what he or she has	I prefer not to make a choice
			Employment skills training	Employment skills training	Employment skills training
			Community job center (not specific for autism spectrum)	Community job center (not specific for autism spectrum)	Community job center (not specific for autism spectrum)

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			N/A	N/A	Employer programs to encourage employment of persons with autism spectrum
			Internships or work placement	Internships or work placement	Internships or work placement
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			Sheltered employment (employment in a separate setting for persons who cannot work in a regular work place)	Sheltered employment (employment in a separate setting for persons who cannot work in a regular work place)	Sheltered employment (employment in a separate setting for persons who cannot work in a regular work place)
			Job mentors (for example, a job coach or other special help at work)	Job mentors (for example, a job coach or other special help at work)	Job mentors (for example, a job coach or other special help at work)
			N/A	N/A	Employer training about autism
			N/A	N/A	Reasonable adjustments in the workplace for employees with autism spectrum
			Other, please specify	Other, please specify	Other, please specify
Do you know of an employment service, in your area or elsewhere in your country,	Do you know of an employment service, in your area or elsewhere in your country, which works very well for	Do you know of an employment service for adults, in your area or elsewhere in	Yes	Yes	
			No	No	No
			Don't know	Don't know	Don't know

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which works  
very well for  
autistic adults?

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Adult education services

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Are you in an adult education service now or have been at some time in the last 2 years?	Is the adult in an adult education service now or has been at some time in the last 2 years?	Do you have knowledge of and work experience in adult education services that are currently available for adults, including autistic adults?	Yes	Yes	Yes
			No	No	No
			N/A	Don't know	N/A
Have you tried to get an adult education service at some time in the last 2 years?	Has the adult, or someone for the adult, tried to get an adult education service at some time in the last 2 years?	N/A	Yes, I have tried to get the service, and I did NOT succeed	Yes, the adult, or someone for the adult, tried to get the service, but did NOT succeed	N/A
			No, I have not tried to get the service	No, nobody has tried to get the service	N/A
If yes, what kind of adult education service were you trying to get? (Check all that apply)	If yes, what kind of education service did the adult, or someone for the adult, try to get? (Check all that apply)	For each type of adult education service available for autistic persons, select the availability that best fits what you know.	Day school or college for adults with autism spectrum (18 years or older)	Day school or college for adults with autism spectrum (18 years or older)	Day school or college for adults with autism spectrum (18 years or older) (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available; Don't know)
If you have tried to get an adult education service more than one time, please think of the most recent time that you tried.	If the adult, or someone for the adult, has tried to get an adult education service more than one time, please think of the most recent time it was tried.		Boarding school or college for adults with autism spectrum (18 years or older)	Boarding school or college for adults with autism spectrum (18 years or older)	Boarding school or college for adults with autism spectrum (18 years or older) (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but

it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available; Don't know)

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			Mentorship or specialist support in regular education settings (high school, technical school, adult education, university)	Mentorship or specialist support in regular education settings (high school, technical school, adult education, university)	Mentorship or specialist support in regular education settings (high school, technical school, adult education, university) (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available; Don't know)
			Other, please specify	Other, please specify	N/A
What kind of office or organization did you go to in order to apply for your adult education service? (Check all that apply) If you have applied for an adult education service more than one time, please think of the most recent time that you applied.	What kind of office or organization was used to apply for the adult's education service? (Check all that apply) If the adult, or someone for the adult, has applied for an adult education service more than one time, please think of the most recent time that it was applied for.	N/A	Public office or organization	Public office or organization	N/A
			Private office or organization	Private office or organization	N/A
			Charity-, advocacy- or volunteer-based organization	Charity-, advocacy- or volunteer-based organization	N/A
			Don't know	Don't know	N/A

At the organization, did the employees that worked with you to apply for adult education services:	At the organization, did the employees that worked with the adult to apply for adult education services:	N/A	Seem knowledgeable about autism spectrum? (Yes; Some were and some were not; No; Don't know)	Seem knowledgeable about autism spectrum? (Yes; Some were and some were not; No; Don't know)	N/A
			Seem knowledgeable about the kinds of services and care that were available for you? (Yes; Some were and some were not; No; Don't know)	Seem knowledgeable about the kinds of services and care that were available for adults with autism spectrum? (Yes; Some were and some were not; No; Don't know)	N/A
			Provide information about care and services that was easy for you to understand? (Yes; Some were and some were not; No; Don't know)	Provide information about care and services that was easy to understand by the autistic adults? (Yes; Some were and some were not; No; Don't know)	N/A
What kind of adult education service did you get? (Check all that apply)	What kind of adult education service did the adult get? (Check all that apply)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
			Day school or college for adults with autism spectrum (18 years or older)	Day school or college for adults with autism spectrum (18 years or older)	N/A
			Boarding school or college for adults with autism spectrum (18 years or older)	Boarding school or college for adults with autism spectrum (18 years or older)	N/A
			Mentorship or specialist support in	Mentorship or specialist support in	N/A

regular education settings (high school, technical school, adult education, university)	regular education settings (high school, technical school, adult education, university)
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			Other, please specify	Other, please specify	N/A
Was the adult education service set-up for: (Check all that apply)	Was the adult education service set-up for: (Check all that apply)	N/A	All adults	All adults	N/A
			Adults with handicaps or special needs, specifically	Adults with handicaps or special needs, specifically	N/A
			Adults with autism spectrum, specifically	Adults with autism spectrum, specifically	N/A
			Don't know	Don't know	N/A
			Other, please specify	Other, please specify	N/A
What was the waiting time before you could get into the adult education service?	What was the waiting time to get into the adult education service that the adult is in right now?	N/A	< 1 month	< 1 month	N/A
			1-3 months	1-3 months	N/A
			3-6 months	3-6 months	N/A
			> 6 months	> 6 months	N/A
			Don't know	Don't know	N/A
N/A	N/A	To the best of your knowledge, what is the waiting time before an autistic adult can get into an education service in the "area where you work now"?	N/A	N/A	Day school or college for adults with autism spectrum (18 years or older)
			N/A	N/A	Boarding school or college for adults with autism spectrum (18 years or older)
			N/A	N/A	Mentorship or specialist support in regular

			N/A	N/A	education settings (high school, technical school, adult education, university)
If you could choose an adult education service that fits your needs best now, what would you choose? (Please, tick 1 box)	If you could choose an adult education service that fits the adult's needs best now, what would you choose? (Please, tick 1 box)	Which 2 types of education services do you think are most needed for autistic adults in the "area where you work now":	I am satisfied with what I have now	The adult is satisfied with what he or she has	I prefer not to make a choice
			Day school or college for adults with autism spectrum (18 years or older)	Day school or college for adults with autism spectrum (18 years or older)	Day school or college for adults with autism spectrum (18 years or older)
			Boarding school or college for adults with autism spectrum (18 years or older)	Boarding school or college for adults with autism spectrum (18 years or older)	Boarding school or college for adults with autism spectrum (18 years or older)
			Mentorship or specialist support in regular education settings (high school, technical school, adult education, university)	Mentorship or specialist support in regular education settings (high school, technical school, adult education, university)	Mentorship or specialist support in regular education settings (high school, technical school, adult education, university)
			Other, please specify	Other, please specify	Other, please specify
Do you know of an adult education service, in your area or elsewhere in your country, that works very well for autistic adults?	Do you know of an adult education service, in your area or elsewhere in your country, which works very well for autistic adults?	Do you know of an adult education service, in your area or elsewhere in your country, which works very well for autistic adults?	Yes	Yes	Yes
			No	No	No
			Don't know	Don't know	Don't know



Are you in a financial service now or have been at some time in the last 2 years?	Is the adult in a financial service now or has been at some time in the last 2 years?	Do you have knowledge of and work experience in financial services that are currently available for adults, including adults with autism spectrum?	Yes No N/A	Yes No Don't know	Yes No N/A
Have you tried to get a financial service at some time in the last 2 years?	Has the adult, or someone for the adult, tried to get a financial service at some time in the last 2 years?	N/A	Yes, I have tried to get the service, and I did NOT succeed  No, I have not tried to get the service	Yes, the adult, or someone for the adult, tried to get the service, but did NOT succeed  No, nobody has tried to get the service	N/A  N/A
If yes, what kind of financial service were you trying to get? (Check all that apply) If you have tried to get a financial service more than one time, please think of the most recent time that you tried.	If yes, what kind of financial service did the adult, or someone for the adult, try to get? (Check all that apply) If the adult, or someone for the adult, has tried to get a financial service more than one time, please think of the most recent time it was tried.	For each type of adult financial service available for autistic persons, select the availability that best fits what you know.	Stipend during school or job training          Unemployment benefits (benefit during periods of unemployment)	Stipend during school or job training          Unemployment benefits (benefit during periods of unemployment)	Stipend/support during school or job training (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available; Don't know)          Unemployment benefits (benefit during periods of unemployment) (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not

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to my knowledge,  
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to make it  
available; Don't  
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Supplementary income for persons unable to have full employment	Supplementary income for persons unable to have full employment	Supplementary income for persons unable to have full employment (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available; Don't know)
Full pension (unable to work)	Full pension (unable to work)	Full pension (unable to work) (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available; Don't know)
Special 'insurance' to help pay for health care	Special 'insurance' to help pay for health care	Special 'insurance' to help pay for health care (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it

available; Don't  
know)

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Transportation benefits	Transportation benefits	Transportation benefits (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available; Don't know)
Caregiver supplementary income (if caregiver duties prevent full employment)	Caregiver supplementary income (if caregiver duties prevent full employment)	Caregiver supplementary income (if caregiver duties prevent full employment) (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available; Don't know)
Supported employment (employer receives benefits for providing employment for adults with autism)	Supported employment (employer receives benefits for providing employment for adults with autism)	Supported employment (employer receives benefits for providing employment for adults with autism) (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the

country; Not  
available now and,  
to my knowledge,  
there are no plans  
to make it  
available; Don't  
know)

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			Other, please specify	Other, please specify	N/A
What kind of office or organization did you go to in order to apply for your financial service? (Check all that apply)	What kind of office or organization was used to apply for the adult's financial service? (Check all that apply)	N/A	Public office or organization	Public office or organization	N/A
If you have applied for a financial service more than one time, please think of the most recent time that you applied.	If the adult, or someone for the adult, has applied for a financial service more than one time, please think of the most recent time that it was applied for.		Private office or organization	Private office or organization	N/A
			Charity-, advocacy- or volunteer-based organization	Charity-, advocacy- or volunteer-based organization	N/A
At the organization, did the employees that worked you to apply for financial services:	At the organization, did the employees that worked with the adult to apply for financial services:	N/A	Don't know	Don't know	N/A
			Seem knowledgeable about autism spectrum? (Yes; Some were and some were not; No; Don't know)	Seem knowledgeable about autism spectrum? (Yes; Some were and some were not; No; Don't know)	N/A
			Seem knowledgeable about the kinds of services and care that were available to you? (Yes; Some were and some were not; No; Don't know)	Seem knowledgeable about the kinds of services and care that were available for adults with autism? (Yes; Some were and some were not; No; Don't know)	N/A
			Provide information about care and services that was easy for you to understand? (Yes; Some were and some were not; No; Don't know)	Provide information about care and services that was easy to understand by the autistic adult? (Yes; Some were and some were not; No; Don't know)	N/A
What kind of	What kind of	N/A	Stipend during	Stipend during	N/A

financial service did you get? (Check all that apply)	financial service did the adult get? (Check all that apply)		school or job training	school or job training	
			Unemployment benefits (benefit during periods of unemployment)	Unemployment benefits (benefit during periods of unemployment)	N/A
			Supplementary income for persons unable to have full employment	Supplementary income for persons unable to have full employment	N/A
			Full pension (unable to work)	Full pension (unable to work)	N/A
			Special 'insurance' to help pay for health care	Special 'insurance' to help pay for health care	N/A
			Transportation benefits	Transportation benefits	N/A
			Caregiver supplementary income (if caregiver duties prevent full employment)	Caregiver supplementary income (if caregiver duties prevent full employment)	N/A
			Supported employment (employer receives benefits for providing employment for adults with autism)	Supported employment (employer receives benefits for providing employment for adults with autism)	N/A
			Other, please specify	Other, please specify	N/A
Was the financial service set-up for: (Check all that apply)	Was the financial service set-up for: (Check all that apply)	N/A	All adults	All adults	N/A
			Adults with handicaps or special needs, specifically	Adults with handicaps or special needs, specifically	N/A
			Adults with autism spectrum, specifically	Adults with autism spectrum, specifically	N/A
			Don't know	Don't know	N/A
			Other, please specify	Other, please specify	N/A
What was the	What was the	N/A	< 1 month	< 1 month	N/A

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waiting time before you could get into the financial service?	waiting time for the adult to get into the financial service?		1-3 months	1-3 months	N/A
			3-6 months	3-6 months	N/A
			> 6 months	> 6 months	N/A
			Don't know	Don't know	N/A
N/A	N/A	To the best of your knowledge, what is the waiting time before an autistic person can receive a financial service in the "area where you work now"?	N/A	N/A	Stipend during school or job training (This service is not currently available; < 1 month; 1-3 months; 3-6 months; > 6 month; Don't know)
			N/A	N/A	Unemployment benefits (benefit during periods of unemployment) (This service is not currently available; < 1 month; 1-3 months; 3-6 months; > 6 month; Don't know)
			N/A	N/A	Supplementary income (This service is not currently available; < 1 month; 1-3 months; 3-6 months; > 6 month; Don't know) for persons unable to have full employment (This service is not currently available; < 1 month; 1-3 months; 3-6 months; > 6 month; Don't know)
			N/A	N/A	Full pension (unable to work) (This service is not currently available; < 1 month; 1-3 months; 3-6 months; > 6 month; Don't know)
			N/A	N/A	Special 'insurance' to help pay for

health care (This  
service is not  
currently available;  
< 1 month; 1-3  
months; 3-6  
months; > 6 month;  
Don't know)

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			N/A	N/A	Transportation benefits (This service is not currently available; < 1 month; 1-3 months; 3-6 months; > 6 month; Don't know)
			N/A	N/A	Caregiver supplementary income (if caregiver duties prevent full employment) (This service is not currently available; < 1 month; 1-3 months; 3-6 months; > 6 month; Don't know)
			N/A	N/A	Supported employment (employer receives benefits for providing employment for adults with autism) (This service is not currently available; < 1 month; 1-3 months; 3-6 months; > 6 month; Don't know)
If you could choose a financial service that fits your needs best now, what would you choose? (Please, tick 1 box)	If you could choose a financial service that fits the adult's needs best now, what would you choose? (Please, tick 1 box)	Which 2 types of financial services do you think are most needed for autistic adults in the "area where you work now"? (Please, tick 2 boxes)	I am satisfied with what I have now	The adult is satisfied with what they have	I prefer not to make a choice
			Stipend during school or job training	Stipend during school or job training	Stipend during school or job training
			Unemployment benefits (benefit during periods of unemployment)	Unemployment benefits (benefit during periods of unemployment)	Unemployment benefits (benefit during periods of unemployment)
			Supplementary income for persons unable to have full employment	Supplementary income for persons unable to have full employment	Supplementary income for persons unable to have full employment
			Full pension (unable to work)	Full pension (unable to work)	Full pension (unable to work)

Do you know of a financial service, in your area or elsewhere in your country, that works very well for autistic adults?	Do you know of a financial service, in your area or elsewhere in your country, which works very well for autistic adults?	N/A	Special 'insurance' to help pay for health care	Special 'insurance' to help pay for health care	Special 'insurance' to help pay for health care
			Transportation benefits	Transportation benefits	Transportation benefits
			Caregiver supplementary income (if caregiver duties prevent full employment)	Caregiver supplementary income (if caregiver duties prevent full employment)	Caregiver supplementary income (if caregiver duties prevent full employment)
			Supported employment (employer receives benefits for providing employment for adults with autism)	Supported employment (employer receives benefits for providing employment for adults with autism)	Supported employment (employer receives benefits for providing employment for adults with autism)
			Other, please specify	Other, please specify	Other, please specify
			Yes	Yes	N/A
			No	No	N/A
			Don't know	Don't know	N/A

Social support services

Are you in a social support service now or have been at some time in the last 2 years?	Is the adult in a social support service now or has been at some time in the last 2 years?	Do you have knowledge of and work experience in social support services that are currently available for adults, including adults on the autism spectrum?	Yes	Yes	Yes
			No	No	No
			N/A	Don't know	N/A
Have you tried to get a social support service at some time in the last 2 years?	Has the adult, or someone for the adult, you tried to get a social support service at some time in the last 2 years?	N/A	Yes, I have tried to get the service, and I did NOT succeed	Yes, the adult, or someone for the adult, tried to get the service, but did NOT succeed	N/A
			No, I have not tried to get the service	No, nobody has tried to get the service	N/A
If yes, what kind of social support service were you trying to get? (Check all that apply) If you have tried to get a social support service more than one time, please think of the most recent time that you tried.	If yes, what kind of social support service did the adult, or someone for the adult, try to get? (Check all that apply) If the adult, or someone for the adult, has tried to get a social support service more than one time, please think of the most recent time it was tried.	For each type of adult social support services available for autistic persons, select the availability that best fits what you know.	Life skills training	Life skills training	Life skills training (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available; Don't know)
			Support groups, on-line	Support groups, on-line	Support groups, on-line (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and,

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available; Don't  
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Support groups, in person	Support groups, in person	Support groups, in person (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available; Don't know)
Free time activities	Free time activities	Free time activities (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available; Don't know)
Family relations support and counseling	Family relations support and counseling	Family relations support and counseling (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available; Don't know)
Behavior	Behavior	Behavior training,

training, for an individual

training, for an individual

for an individual (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available; Don't know)

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<p>Behavior training, in groups</p>	<p>Behavior training, in groups</p>	<p>Behavior training, in groups (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available; Don't know)</p>
<p>Program for matching autistic peers with each other (persons similar to each other, peer-to-peer)</p>	<p>Program for matching autistic peers with each other (persons similar to each other, peer-to-peer)</p>	<p>Program for matching autistic peers with each other (persons similar to each other, peer-to-peer) (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country; Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available; Don't know)</p>
<p>Program for matching an autistic person with a non-autistic peer (someone similar to the autistic person in age, gender, interests, etc.)</p>	<p>Program for matching and autistic person with a non-autistic peer (someone similar to the autistic person in age, gender, interests, etc.)</p>	<p>Program for matching and autistic person with a non-autistic peer (someone similar to the autistic person in age, gender, interests, etc.) (Currently available; Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available; Not available now, but</p>

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country; Not  
available now and,  
to my knowledge,  
there are no plans  
to make it  
available; Don't  
know)

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			Other, please specify	Other, please specify	N/A
What kind of office or organization did you go to in order to apply for your social support service? (Check all that apply) If you have applied for a social support service more than one time, please think of the most recent time that you applied.	What kind of office or organization was used to apply for the adult's social support service? (Check all that apply) If the adult, or someone for the adult, has applied for a social support service more than one time, please think of the most recent time that it was applied for.	N/A	Public office or organization	Public office or organization	N/A
			Private office or organization	Private office or organization	N/A
			Charity-, advocacy- or volunteer-based organization	Charity-, advocacy- or volunteer-based organization	N/A
			Don't know	Don't know	N/A
At the organization, did the employees that worked with you to apply for social support services:	At the organization, did the employees that worked with the adult to apply for social support services:	N/A	Seem knowledgeable about autism spectrum? (Yes; Some were and some were not; No; Don't know)	Seem knowledgeable about autism spectrum? (Yes; Some were and some were not; No; Don't know)	N/A
			Seem knowledgeable about the kinds of services and care that were available to you? (Yes; Some were and some were not; No; Don't know)	Seem knowledgeable about the kinds of services and care that were available for adults with autism? (Yes; Some were and some were not; No; Don't know)	N/A
			Provide information about care and services that was easy for you to	Provide information about care and services that was easy to	N/A

understand?  
(Yes; Some  
were and some  
were not; No;  
Don't know)

understand by  
the autistic  
adult? (Yes;  
Some were and  
some were not;  
No; Don't  
know)

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What kind of social support service did you get? (Check all that apply)	What kind of social support service did the adult get? (Check all that apply)	N/A	Life skills training	Life skills training	N/A
			Support groups, on-line	Support groups, on-line	N/A
			Support groups, in person	Support groups, in person	N/A
			Free time activities	Free time activities	N/A
			Family relations support and counseling	Family relations support and counseling	N/A
			Behavior training, for an individual	Behavior training, for an individual	N/A
			Behavior training, in groups	Behavior training, in groups	N/A
			Program for matching autistic peers with each other (persons similar to each other, peer-to-peer)	Program for matching autistic peers with each other (persons similar to each other, peer-to-peer)	N/A
			Program for matching an autistic person with a non-autistic peer (someone similar to the autistic person in age, gender, interests, etc.)	Program for matching an autistic person with a non-autistic peer (someone similar to the autistic person in age, gender, interests, etc.)	N/A
			Other, please specify	Other, please specify	N/A
Was the social support service set-up for: (Check all that apply)	Was the social support service set-up for: (Check all that apply)	N/A	All adults	All adults	N/A
			Adults with handicaps or special needs, specifically	Adults with handicaps or special needs, specifically	N/A

			Adults with autism spectrum, specifically	Adults with autism spectrum, specifically	N/A
			Don't know	Don't know	N/A
			Other, please specify	Other, please specify	N/A
What was the waiting time before you could get into the social support service?	What was the waiting time for the adult to get into the social service?	N/A	< 1 month	< 1 month	N/A
			1-3 months	1-3 months	N/A
			3-6 months	3-6 months	N/A
			> 6 months	> 6 months	N/A
			Don't know	Don't know	N/A
N/A	N/A	To the best of your knowledge, what is the waiting time before an autistic person can get into a social support service in the "area where you work now"?	N/A	N/A	Free time activities (This service not currently available; < 1 months; 1-3 months; 3-6 months; > 6 months; Don't know)
			N/A	N/A	Family relations support and counseling (This service not currently available; < 1 months; 1-3 months; 3-6 months; > 6 months; Don't know)
			N/A	N/A	Behavior training, for an individual (This service not currently available; < 1 months; 1-3 months; 3-6 months; > 6 months; Don't know)
			N/A	N/A	Behavior training, in groups (This

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months; 3-6  
months; > 6  
months; Don't  
know)

If you could choose a social support service that fits your needs best now, what would you choose? (Please, tick 1 box)	If you could choose a social support service that fits the adult's needs best now what would you choose? (Please, tick 1 box)	Which 2 types of social support services for autistic adults do you think are most needed in "the area where you work now": (Please, tick 2 boxes).	I am satisfied with what I have now	The adult is satisfied with what they have	I prefer not to make a choice
			N/A	N/A	Program for matching autistic peers with each other (persons similar to each other, peer-to-peer) (This service not currently available; < 1 months; 1-3 months; 3-6 months; > 6 months; Don't know)
			N/A	N/A	Program for matching an autistic person with a non-autistic peer (someone similar to the autistic person in age, gender, interests, etc.) (This service not currently available; < 1 months; 1-3 months; 3-6 months; > 6 months; Don't know)
			Life skills training	Life skills training	Life skills training
			Support groups, on-line	Support groups, on-line	Support groups, on-line
			Support groups, in person	Support groups, in person	Support groups, in person
			Free time activities	Free time activities	Free time activities
			Family relations support and counseling	Family relations support and counseling	Family relations support and counseling
			Behavior training, for an individual	Behavior training, for an individual	Behavior training, for an individual

			Behavior training, in groups	Behavior training, in groups	Behavior training, in groups
			Program for matching autistic peers with each other (persons similar to each other, peer-to-peer)	Program for matching autistic peers with each other (persons similar to each other, peer-to-peer)	Program for matching autistic peers with each other (persons similar to each other, peer-to-peer)
			Program for matching an autistic person with a non-autistic peer (someone similar to the autistic person in age, gender, interests, etc.)	Program for matching an autistic person with a non-autistic peer (someone similar to the autistic person in age, gender, interests, etc.)	Program for matching an autistic person with a non-autistic peer (someone similar to the autistic person in age, gender, interests, etc.)
			Other, please specify	Other, please specify	Other, please specify
Do you know of a social support service, in your area or elsewhere in your country, that works very well for autistic adults?	Do you know of a social support service, in your area or elsewhere in your country, which works very well for autistic adults?	Do you know of a social support service for adults, in your area or elsewhere in your country, which works very well for autistic adults?	Yes	Yes	Yes
			No	No	No
			Don't know	Don't know	Don't know

*Note.* N/A = Question not available for the correspondent group.

## Supplementary Data 2

*Demographic background information of the respondents: adults, carers, and professionals*

Characteristic	Answer	Autistic adult (N=469)	Carer / Cared-for adult (N=441)	Professional (N=175)
Gender	Female	308 (65.7)	361 (81.9) / 121(27.4)	133 (76.0)

	Male	144 (30.7)	79 (17.9) / 319 (72.3)	42 (24.0)
	Other or no answer	17 (3.6)	1 (0.2) / 1 (0.2)	0 (0.0)
Age (years)	18-25	99 (21.1)	7 (1.6) / 239 (54.2)	N/A
	26-35	162 (34.5)	22 (5.0) / 122 (27.7)	
	36-45	108 (23.0)	54 (12.2) / 53 (12.0)	
	46-55	82 (17.5)	177 (40.1) / 23 (5.2)	
	56-64	15 (3.2)	117 (26.5) / 3 (0.7)	
	> 65	3 (0.6)	64 (14.5) / 1 (0.2)	
	<hr/> <b>Living area</b> <hr/>			
Country	Denmark	193 (41.2)	122 (27.7)	95 (54.3)
	France	61 (13.0)	67 (15.2)	19 (10.9)
	Spain	22 (4.7)	86 (19.5)	17 (9.7)
	Finland	63 (13.4)	36 (8.2)	9 (5.1)
	Poland	38 (8.1)	48 (10.9)	2 (1.1)
	Italy	36 (7.7)	32 (7.3)	11 (6.3)
	Iceland	16 (3.4)	40 (9.7)	15 (8.6)
	Republic of Ireland	14 (3.0)	10 (2.3)	0
	United Kingdom	20 (4.3)	0	2 (1.1)
	Germany	6 (1.3)	0	0
	Portugal	0	0	2 (1.1)
Living area	Capital city	115 (24.5)	160 (36.3)	52 (29.7)
	Other than a capital city	354 (75.5)	281 (63.7)	123 (70.3)
Community size	< 1.000 people	28 (6.0)	31 (7.0)	6 (3.4)
	1.000-20.000 people	93 (19.8)	96 (21.8)	30 (17.1)
	20.000-100.000 people	134 (28.6)	116 (26.3)	82 (46.9)
	100.000-1.000.000	125 (26.7)	111 (25.2)	45 (25.7)
	> 1.000.000	46 (9.8)	60 (13.6)	12 (6.9)

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	Don't Know	43 (9.2)	27 (6.1)	0
Education				
Adult is attending school, home school or education program now	Yes, full time	56 (11.9)	N/A	N/A
	Yes, part time	49 (10.5)		
	No	364 (77.6)		
If yes, actual education level	Primary level school	2 (1.9)	N/A	N/A
	Secondary level school	22 (21.0)		
	Technical, vocational or job training school	16 (15.2)		
	College or University	65 (61.9)		
If no, completed education level	Primary level school	39 (10.7)	N/A	N/A
	Secondary level school	67 (18.4)		
	Technical, vocational or job training school	91 (25.0)		
	College or University	149 (40.9)		
	Don't Know	18 (5.0)		
Adult remember the age when completing education	Yes	332 (91.2)	N/A	N/A
	No	32 (8.8)		
Adult age at completed education	Mean ± Standard deviation [range]	24.4 ± 7.9 [3-52]	N/A	N/A
Carer years of education	< 10 years	N/A	43 (9.8)	N/A
	10-12 years		33 (7.5)	
	13-16 years		109 (24.7)	
	>16 years		220 (49.9)	
	Other		36 (8.2)	
Employment				

Current employment status	Unemployed	247 (52.7)	46 (10.4)	N/A
	Employed (part time o full time)	156 (33.3)	232 (52.6)	
	Self-employed	25 (5.3)	44 (10.0)	
	Student	N/A	9 (2.0)	
	Volunteer	41 (8.7)	17 (3.9)	
	Retired	N/A	93 (21.1)	
If unemployed, reasons for unemployment	A disability that prevents from having a job	80 (32.4)	N/A	N/A
	Student	35 (14.2)		
	Looking for a job	35 (14.2)		
	Believing that she/he cannot find a job	20 (8.1)		
	Retired	19 (7.7)		
	Other	58 (23.5)		

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Age at diagnosis

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Age at autism diagnosis	16-25	63 (20.3)	42 (58.3)	N/A
	26-35	114 (36.7)	14 (19.4)	
	36-45	78 (25.1)	10 (13.9)	
	46-55	48 (15.4)	5 (6.9)	
	>=56	8 (2.5)	1 (1.4)	

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Carers' relationship with the adult

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Years of knowledge of the adult	Less than 1 year	N/A	5 (1.1)	N/A
	1-5 years		11 (2.5)	
	5-10 years		8 (1.8)	
	More than 10 years but not the adult's whole life		29 (6.6)	
	The adult's whole life		388 (88.0)	
Relationship with the adult	Parent	N/A	370 (83.9)	N/A

	Other family member related by blood		33 (7.5)	
	Spouse or partner		15 (3.4)	
	A carer, but not a family member, spouse, or partner		23 (5.2)	
Level of independence of the autistic adult	High level of independence	N/A	42 (9.5)	N/A
	Some independence but needs support		180 (40.8)	
	Needs a high level of support in daily living		149 (33.8)	
	Needs high level institution-like care		70 (15.9)	

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 Professionals' backgrounds and characteristics of their workplace
 

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Professional type	Other	N/A	N/A	55 (31.4)
	Teacher/pedagogue			45 (25.7)
	Social worker			44 (25.1)
	Psychologist			20 (11.4)
	Physical or occupational therapist			7 (4.0)
	Psychiatrist			1 (0.6)
	Teaching assistant/nursery assistant			2 (1.1)
	Nurse			1 (0.6)
	General practitioner			0 (0.0)
	Medical specialist, other than psychiatrist			0 (0.0)
	Other medical professional (open answer)			0 (0.0)
	Mental health therapist			0 (0.0)
	Criminal justice (e.g., police, courts, legal advocate)			0 (0.0)

Years in jobs in adult services and care	<1 year	N/A	N/A	4 (2.3)
	1-2 years			9 (5.1)
	3-5 years			24 (13.7)
	6-10 years			36 (20.6)
	>10 years			102 (58.3)
Source of experience and knowledge about services for adults	Current job location (e.g., capital city or small town)	N/A	N/A	74 (42.3)
	Current job location and a wider area (e.g., the region or state where your job is located)			84 (48.0)
	Most closely connected to the whole country			17 (9.7)

*Note.* N/A = Question not available for the correspondent group. Values expressed as number of responders and frequencies (in parenthesis).

### SupplementaryData3a

#### *Type of organization where applied for a given service*

Autistic adult (N=646)					
	Residential service (n=213)	Employment service (n=197)	Adult education service (n=105)	Financial service (n=259)	Social support service (n=192)
Public office or organization	145 (68.10)	132 (67.00)	63 (60.00)	234 (90.35)	118 (61.46)
Private office or organization	31 (14.55)	30 (15.23)	20 (19.05)	7 (2.70)	25 (13.02)
Charity-, advocacy- or volunteer-based organization	13 (6.10)	19 (9.64)	8 (7.62)	13 (5.02)	38 (19.79)
Don't know	24 (11.27)	16 (8.12)	14 (13.33)	5 (1.93)	11 (5.73)

## Carer (N=575)

	Residential service (n=299)	Employment service (n=181)	Adult education service (n=181)	Financial service (n=309)	Social support service (n=248)
Public office or organization	199 (66.56)	118 (65.19)	108 (59.69)	290 (93.85)	153 (61.69)
Private office or organization	66 (22.07)	35 (19.34)	46 (25.41)	6 (1.94)	54 (21.77)
Charity-, advocacy- or volunteer-based organization	20 (6.69)	15 (8.29)	13 (7.18)	6 (1.94)	36 (14.52)
Don't know	14 (4.68)	13 (7.18)	14 (7.73)	7 (2.27)	5 (2.02)

*Note.* Values expressed as number of responders and frequencies (in parenthesis). Kind of service the adult got: data are for adults and carers of adults who were in a residential/employment/adult education/financial/social support service now or in the last 2 years. The questions for the autistic adults (or carers) were: “What kind of office or organization did you go to in order to apply for your (carers: was used to apply for the adult’s) <residential/employment/adult education/financial/social support> service? (Check all that apply). If you have (carers: If the adult, or someone for the adult, has) applied for a <residential/employment/adult education/financial/social support> service more than one time, please think of the most recent time that you applied (carer: that it was applied for).”

**Supplementary Data 3b***Client group that a given service was set up for*

## Autistic adult (N=646)

Client group	Residential service (n=162)	Employment service (n=152)	Adult education service (n=74)	Financial service (n=221)	Social support service (n=161)
All adults	15 (9.26)	59 (38.82)	25 (33.78)	100 (45.24)	22 (13.66)
Adults with handicaps or special needs, specifically	57 (35.19)	44 (28.95)	29 (39.19)	80 (36.20)	45 (27.95)
Adults with autism spectrum, specifically	65 (40.12)	25 (16.45)	10 (13.51)	9 (4.07)	66 (40.99)

Don't know	11 (6.79)	12 (7.89)	5 (6.76)	15 (6.79)	12 (7.45)
Other, please specify	14 (8.64)	12 (7.89)	5 (6.76)	17 (7.69)	16(9.94)

Carer (N=575)

Client group	Residential service (n=232)	Employment service (n=135)	Adult education service (n=138)	Financial service (n=257)	Social support service (n=164)
All adults	10 (4.31)	25 (18.52)	27 (19.57)	50 (19.46)	8 (4.88)
Adults with handicaps or special needs, specifically	71 (30.60)	51 (37.78)	54 (39.13)	185 (71.98)	60 (36.59)
Adults with autism spectrum, specifically	133 (57.33)	41 (30.37)	48 (34.78)	22 (8.56)	80 (48.78)
Don't know	7 (3.02)	10 (7.41)	7 (5.07)	23 (8.95)	7 (4.27)
Other, please specify	14 (4.74)	8 (5.93)	2 (1.45)	7 (2.72)	9 (5.49)

*Note.* Values expressed as number of responders and frequencies (in parenthesis). Kind of service the adult got: data are for adults and carers of adults who were in a residential/employment/adult education/financial/social support service now or in the last 2 years. The questions for the autistic adults and carers were: “*Was the residential/employment/adult education/financial/social service set up for: (Check all that apply).*”

## Supplementary Data 4a

### *Preferred residential services*

	Carer (n=441)			Professional (n=301)
	Autistic adult (n=469)	High independence (n=222)	Low independence (n=219)	
	N (%)	N (%)	N (%)	N (%)
Adult satisfied	190 (40.5)	70 (31.5)	51 (23.9)	NA

I prefer not to make a choice	NA	NA	NA	30 (9.9)*
Help in own home	125 (26.6)	73 (32.8)	43 (19.6)	74 (27.3)
Day center	22 (4.6)	11 (4.9)	27 (12.3)	40 (14.7)
Full time residential facility	18 (3.8)	12 (5.4)	71 (32.4)	NA
Full time residential facility with private bedroom only	NA	NA	NA	32 (11.8)
Full time residential facility with full apartment	NA	NA	NA	69 (25.4)
Help at college or school dormitory	10 (2.1)	22 (9.9)	4 (1.8)	14 (5.2)
Caregiver respite care	21 (4.4)	NA	NA	20 (7.3)
Other	83 (17.7)	34 (15.3)	23 (10.5)	22 (8.1)

*Note.* NA=Question not available for the correspondent group. Data are for all adults and carers of adults. The question for the autistic adults was: “If you could choose a residential service that fits your needs best now, what would you choose? (Please, tick 1 box)”. The question for the carers of autistic adults was: “If you could choose a residential service that fits the adult’s needs best now, what would you choose? (Please, tick 1 box)”. The carers’ data are stratified by high and low level of independence of the autistic adult. The question for the professional was: “Which 2 types of residential services do you think are most needed for autistic adults in the (geographical) area where you work now? (Please, tick 2 boxes).” Professionals who selected “I prefer not to make a choice” are not included in the calculation of % for each of the other answer choices. The %s for the other answer choices are based on the professionals who made a choice, n=271 (301-30=271). \*This % is calculated on the total sample of the professionals’ responders (n=301).

## Supplementary Data 4b

### *Residential services availability*

Kind of residential service that was applied for, but failed	Kind of residential service the adult got	Residential service availability
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Professional (n=176)

	Autistic adult (n=48)	Carer High independence (n=25)	Carer Low independence (n=30)	Autistic adult (n=138)	Carer High independence (n=71)	Carer Low independence (n=146)	Currently available	Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available	Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country	Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available	Don't know
Help in own home	28 (41.18)	12 (34.29)	11 (23.91)	91 (53.21)	35 (38.89)	23 (11.98)	139 (78.98)	7 (3.98)	4 (2.27)	9 (5.11)	17 (9.66)
Day Center	7 (10.29)	3 (8.57)	9 (19.57)	16 (9.36)	14 (15.56)	42 (21.88)	130 (73.86)	7 (3.98)	12 (6.82)	9 (5.11)	18 (10.23)
Full time residential facility	6 (8.82)	5 (14.29)	12 (26.09)	14 (8.20)	12 (13.13)	84 (43.75)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Full time residential facility with private bedroom only	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	104 (59.09)	8 (4.55)	9 (5.11)	23 (13.07)	32 (18.18)
Full time residential facility with full apartment	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	111 (63.07)	8 (4.55)	15 (8.52)	19 (10.80)	23 (13.07)
Help at college or school	4 (5.88)	6 (17.14)	1 (2.17)	2 (1.17)	2 (2.22)	3 (1.56)	74 (42.05)	6 (3.41)	9 (5.11)	35 (19.89)	52 (29.55)

dormitory

Caregiver respite care	8 (11.76)	2 (5.71)	8 (17.39)	10 (5.85)	4 (4.44)	22 (11.46)	99 (56.25)	13 (7.39)	7 (3.98)	22 (12.50)	35 (19.89)
Other	15 (22.06)	7 (20.00)	5 (10.87)	38 (22.22)	23 (25.56)	18 (9.38)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

*Note.* Values expressed as number of responders and frequencies (in parenthesis). NA=Question not available for the correspondent group. Kind of residential service that was applied for but failed: data are for adults and carers of adults who were not in a residential service now or in the last 2 years but had tried to get a residential service in the last 2 years and failed. Kind of residential service the adult got: data are for adults and carers of adults who were in a residential service now or in the last 2 years. The question for the autistic adults was: “*What kind of residential service were you trying to get? (Check all that apply).*” The question for the carers of autistic adults was: “*What kind of residential service did the adult, or someone for the adult, try to get? (Check all that apply).*”. The carers’ data are stratified by high and low level of independence of the autistic adult. The question for the professionals was: “*For each type of adult residential service available for autistic persons, select the availability that best fits what you know.*”

### Supplementary Data 4c

#### *Residential services availability by gender*

	Kind of residential service that was applied for, but failed (Autistic Adult=48) (male 18, female 28, other/no answer 2)			Kind of residential service the adult got (Autistic Adult=138) (male 44, female 92, other/no answer 2)		
	Male	Female	Other/No answer	Male	Female	Other/No answer
Help in own home	10 (6.9)	18 (5.8)	0 (0.0)	22 (15.3)	67 (21.8)	2 (11.8)
Day Center	4 (2.8)	2 (0.7)	1 (5.9)	6 (4.2)	10 (3.3)	0 (0.0)
Full time residential facility	4 (2.8)	2 (0.7)	0 (0.0)	7 (4.9)	7 (2.3)	0 (0.0)
Help at college or school dormitory	2 (1.4)	1 (0.3)	1 (5.9)	2 (1.4)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)

Caregiver respite care	3 (2.1)	5 (1.6)	0 (0.0)	5 (3.5)	5 (1.6)	0 (0.0)
Other	3 (2.1)	12 (3.9)	0 (0.0)	12 (8.3)	26 (8.4)	0 (0.0)

*Note.* Values expressed as number of responders and frequencies (in parenthesis). NA=Question not available for the correspondent group. Kind of residential service that was applied for but failed: data are for adults and carers of adults who were not in a residential service now or in the last 2 years but had tried to get a residential service in the last 2 years and failed. Kind of residential service the adult got: data are for adults and carers of adults who were in a residential service now or in the last 2 years. The question for the autistic adults was: “What kind of residential service were you trying to get? (Check all that apply).”

### Supplementary Data 4d

#### *Preference of residential services by gender*

	Autistic Adult (n=469)		Other/No answer (n=17)
	Male (n=144)	Female (n=308)	
Adult satisfied	64 (44.4)	119 (38.6)	7 (41.2)
Help in own home	28 (19.4)	92 (29.9)	5 (29.4)
Day center	9 (6.3)	12 (3.9)	1 (5.9)
Full time residential facility	5 (3.5)	12 (3.9)	1 (5.9)
Help at college or school dormitory	4 (2.8)	5 (1.6)	1 (5.9)
Caregiver respite care	8 (5.6)	12 (3.9)	1 (5.9)
Other	26 (18.1)	56 (18.2)	1 (5.9)

*Note.* Values expressed as number of responders and frequencies (in parenthesis). NA=Question not available for the correspondent group. Data are for all adults and carers of adults. The question for the autistic adults was: “If you could choose a residential service that fits your needs best now, what would you choose?(Please, tick 1 box)”.

**Supplementary Data 5a***Preferred employment services*

	Carer (n=432)			
	Autistic adult (n=463)	Professional (n=198)		
		High independence (n=217)	Low independence (n=215)	
	N (%)	N (%)	N (%)	N (%)
Adult satisfied	112 (24.1)	45 (20.7)	44 (20.4)	NA
I prefer not to make a choice	NA	NA	NA	22 (11.1)*
Employment skills training	31 (6.7)	14 (6.4)	8 (3.7)	16 (9.0)
Community job center	7 (1.5)	3 (1.3)	3 (1.4)	1 (0.5)
Job placement specific for persons with autism spectrum	63 (13.5)	28 (12.9)	22 (10.2)	26 (14.7)
Employment counseling specific for persons with autism spectrum	56 (12.1)	19 (8.7)	10 (4.6)	9 (5.1)
Employer programs to encourage employment of persons with autism	NA	NA	NA	27 (15.3)
Internships or work placement	17 (3.6)	10 (4.6)	3 (1.4)	11 (6.2)
Sheltered employment training	7 (1.5)	7 (3.2)	9 (4.1)	13 (7.3)
Sheltered employment	24 (5.1)	19 (8.7)	42 (19.5)	13 (7.3)

Employer training about autism	NA	NA	NA	19 (10.8)
Reasonable adjustments in the workplace for employees with autism	NA	NA	NA	9 (5.1)
Job mentors	84 (18.1)	54 (24.8)	40 (18.6)	32 (18.1)
Other	62 (13.3)	18 (8.2)	34 (15.8)	NA

*Note.* NA=Question not available for the correspondent group. Data are for all adults and carers of adults. The question for the autistic adults was: “If you could choose an employment service that fits your needs best now, what would you choose? (Please, tick 1 box)”. The question for the carers of autistic adults was: “If you could choose an employment service that fits the adult’s needs best now, what would you choose? (Please, tick 1 box)”. The carers’ data are stratified by high and low level of independence of the autistic adult. The question for the professional was: “Which 2 types of employment services do you think are most needed for autistic adults in the (geographical) area where you work now? (Please, tick 2 boxes).” Professionals who selected “I prefer not to make a choice” are not included in the calculation of % for each of the other answer choices. The %s for the other answer choices are based on the professionals who made a choice, n=176 (198-22=176). \*This % is calculated on the total sample of the professionals’ responders (n=198).

## Supplementary Data 5b

### *Employment services availability*

Kind of employment service that was applied for, but failed			Kind of employment service the adult got			Employment service availability
Autistic adult (n=43)	Carer	Carer	Autistic adult (n=131)	Carer	Carer	Professional (n=115)
	High independence (n=21)	Low independence (n=20)		High independence	Low independence	

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	(n=80)		(n=48)								
							Current ly availab le	Not availab le now, but there are plans in motion to make it availab le	Not availab le now, but it is availab le in other areas of the country	Not availab le now and, to my knowle dge, there are no plans to make it availab le	Don't know
Emplo yment skills trainin g	13 (13.13)	5 (11.90)	3 (7.32)	24 (10.00)	21 (13.29)	9 (11.69)	85 (73.91)	4 (3.48)	6 (5.22)	2 (1.74)	18 (15.65)
Comm unity job center	8 (8.08)	6 (14.29)	2 (4.88)	37 (15.42)	20 (12.66)	4 (5.19)	82 (71.30)	1 (0.87)	6 (5.22)	7 (6.09)	19 (16.52)
Job placem ent specifi c for persons with autism spectru m	15 (15.15)	4 (9.52)	6 (14.63)	9 (3.75)	5 (3.16)	5 (6.49)	57 (49.57)	9 (7.83)	11 (9.57)	12 (10.43)	26 (22.61)
Emplo yment counsel ing specifi c for persons with autism spectru m	17 (17.17)	4 (9.52)	7 (17.07)	10 (4.17)	6 (3.80)	5 (6.49)	57 (49.57)	8 (6.96)	13 (11.30)	9 (7.83)	28 (24.35)
Intern ships or work placem ent	10 (10.10)	7 (16.67)	3 (7.32)	52 (21.67)	34 (21.52)	10 (12.99)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Emplo yer progra	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	22 (19.13)	16 (13.91)	10 (8.70)	13 (11.30)	54 (46.96)

ms to encourage employment of persons with autism

Sheltered employment training

Sheltered employment

Job mentors

Reasonable adjustments in the workplace for employees with autism

Other

8	4	2	15	10	6	80	5	4	7	19
(8.08)	(9.52)	(4.88)	(6.25)	(6.33)	(7.79)	(69.57)	(4.35)	(3.48)	(6.09)	(16.52)
5	5	4	14	7	14	89	6	2	6	12
(5.05)	(11.90)	(9.76)	(5.83)	(4.43)	(18.18)	(77.39)	(5.22)	(1.74)	(5.22)	(10.43)
16	5	11	45	31	14	88	6	2	5	14
(16.16)	(11.90)	(26.83)	(18.75)	(19.62)	(18.18)	(76.52)	(5.22)	(1.74)	(4.35)	(12.17)
NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	51	9	7	11	37
						(44.35)	(7.83)	(6.09)	(9.57)	(32.17)
7	2	3	34	24	10	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
(7.07)	(4.76)	(7.32)	(14.17)	(15.19)	(12.99)					

*Note.* Values expressed as number of responders and frequencies (in parenthesis). NA=Question not available for the correspondent group. Kind of employment service that was applied for but failed: data are for adults and carers of adults who were not in an employment service now or in the last 2 years but had tried to get an employment service in the last 2 years and failed. Kind of employment service the adult got: data are for adults and carers of adults who were in an employment service now or in the last 2 years. The question for the autistic adults was: “What kind of employment service were you trying to get? (Check all that apply).” The question for the carers of autistic adults was: “what kind of employment service did the adult, or someone for the adult, try to get? (Check all that apply)”. The carers’ data are stratified by high and low level of independence of the autistic adult. The question for the professionals was: “For each type of adult employment service available for autistic persons, select the availability that best fits what you know.”

## Supplementary Data 5c

*Employment services availability by gender*

	Kind of employment service that was applied for, but failed (43 Autistic Adult;14 male, 28 female, 1 other/no answer)			Kind of employment service the adult got (131 Autistic Adult;46 male, 82 female, 3 other/no answer)		
	Male	Female	Other/No answer	Male	Female	Other/No answer
Employment skills training	7 (4.9)	6(2.0)	0 (0.0)	11 (7.6)	13 (4.2)	0 (0.0)
Community job center	3 (2.1)	5 (1.6)	0 (0.0)	9 (6.3)	27 (8.8)	1 (4.2)
Job placement specific for persons with autism spectrum	5 (3.5)	10 (3.3)	0 (0.0)	6 (4.2)	3 (1.0)	0 (0.0)
Employment counseling specific for persons with autism spectrum	4 (2.8)	13 (4.2)	0 (0.0)	4 (2.8)	6 (2.0)	0 (0.0)
Internships or work placement	2 (1.4)	8 (2.6)	0 (0.0)	21 (14.6)	29 (9.4)	2 (8.3)
Sheltered employment training	3 (2.1)	5 (1.6)	0 (0.0)	5 (3.5)	10 (3.3)	0 (0.0)
Sheltered employment	1 (0.7)	4 (1.3)	0 (0.0)	10 (6.9)	4 (1.3)	0 (0.0)
Job mentors	5 (3.6)	11 (3.6)	0 (0.0)	14 (9.7)	31 (10.1)	0 (0.0)
Other	1 (0.7)	5 (1.6)	1 (4.2)	9 (6.3)	24 (7.8)	1 (5.9)

*Note.* Values expressed as number of responders and frequencies (in parenthesis). NA=Question not available for the correspondent group. Kind of employment service that was applied for but failed: data are for adults and carers of adults who were not in an employment service now or in the last 2 years but had tried to get an employment service in the last 2 years and failed. Kind of employment service the adult got: data are for adults and carers of adults who were in an

employment service now or in the last 2 years. The question for the autistic adults was: “*What kind of employment service were you trying to get? (Check all that apply).*”

## Supplementary Data 5d

### *Preference of employment services by gender*

	Autistic Adult (n=463)		Other/No answer (n=17)
	Male (n=143)	Female (n=303)	
Adult satisfied	39 (27.3)	70 (23.1)	3 (17.7)
Employment skills training	13 (9.1)	17 (5.6)	1 (5.9)
Community job center	1 (0.7)	6 (2.0)	0 (0.0)
Job placement specific for persons with autism spectrum	23 (16.1)	40 (13.2)	0 (0.0)
Employment counseling specific for persons with autism spectrum	16 (11.2)	37 (12.2)	3 (17.7)
Internships or work placement	4 (2.8)	12 (4.0)	1 (5.9)
Sheltered employment training	2 (1.40)	5 (1.7)	0 (0.0)
Sheltered employment	8 (5.6)	15 (4.9)	1 (5.9)
Job mentors	26 (18.2)	54 (17.8)	4 (23.5)
Other	11 (7.7)	47 (15.5)	4 (23.5)

*Note.* Values expressed as number of responders and frequencies (in parenthesis). NA=Question not available for the correspondent group. Data are for all adults and carers of adults. The question for the autistic adults was: “*If you could choose an employment service that fits your needs best now, what would you choose?(Please, tick 1 box)*”.

**Supplementary Data 6a***Preference adult education services*

	Carer (n=424)			
	Autistic adult (n=458)	Professional (n=124)		
		High independence (n=213)	Low independence (n=211)	
	N (%)	N (%)	N (%)	N (%)
Adult satisfied	164 (35.8)	62 (29.1)	72 (34.1)	NA
I prefer not to make a choice	NA	NA	NA	13 (10.4)*
Day school or college for adults with autism spectrum	68 (14.8)	35 (16.4)	31 (14.6)	41 (36.9)
Boarding school or college for adults with autism spectrum	16 (3.4)	9 (4.2)	16 (7.5)	15 (13.5)
Mentorship or specialist support in regular education settings	138 (30.1)	92 (43.1)	53 (25.1)	47 (42.3)
Other	72 (15.7)	15 (7.0)	39 (18.4)	8 (7.2)

*Note.* NA=Question not available for the correspondent group. Data are for all adults and carers of adults. The question for the autistic adults was: “If you could choose an education service that fits your needs best now, what would you choose? (Please, tick 1 box)”. The question for the carers of autistic adults was: “If you could choose an education service that fits the adult’s needs best now, what would you choose? (Please, tick 1 box)”. The carers’ data are stratified by high and low level of independence of the autistic adult. The question for the professional was: “Which 2 types of education services do you think are most needed for autistic adults in the (geographical) area where you work now? (Please, tick 2 boxes).” Professionals who selected “I prefer not to make a choice” are not included in the calculation of % for each of the other answer choices. The %s for the other answer choices are based on the professionals who made a choice, n=111 (124-13=111). \*This % is calculated on the total sample of the professionals’ responders (n=124).

**Supplementary Data6b***Adult educational services availability*

	Kind of adult educational service that was applied for, but failed			Kind of adult educational service the adult got			Adult educational availability				
	Autistic adult (n=27)	Carer High independence (n=13)	Carer High independence (n=26)	Autistic adult (n=67)	Carer High independence (n=73)	Carer Low independence (n=56)	Currently available	Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available	Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country	Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available	Don't know
Day school or college for adults with autism spectrum	7 (24.14)	4 (26.67)	6 (17.65)	11 (15.28)	18 (23.38)	14 (23.33)	52 (68.42)	3 (3.95)	1 (1.32)	5 (6.58)	15 (19.74)
Boarding school or college for adults with autism spectrum	0	1 (6.67)	5 (14.71)	3 (4.17)	3 (3.90)	5 (8.33)	27 (35.53)	4 (5.26)	7 (9.21)	9 (11.84)	29 (38.16)
Mentorship or specialist support in regular	13 (44.83)	5 (33.33)	14 (41.18)	39 (54.17)	29 (37.66)	12 (20.00)	50 (65.79)	3 (3.95)	4 (5.26)	3 (3.95)	16 (21.05)

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Other	9 (31.03)	5 (33.33)	9 (26.47)	19 (26.39)	27 (35.06)	29 (48.33)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
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*Note.* Values expressed as number of responders and frequencies (in parenthesis). NA=Question not available for the correspondent group. Kind of adult education service that was applied for but failed: data are for adults and carers of adults who were not in an adult education service now or in the last 2 years but had tried to get an adult education service in the last 2 years and failed. Kind of adult education service the adult got: data are for adults and carers of adults who were in an adult education service now or in the last 2 years. The question for the autistic adults was: “*What kind of adult education service were you trying to get? (Check all that apply).*” The question for the carers of autistic adults was: “*what kind of education service did the adult, or someone for the adult, try to get? (Check all that apply).*” The carers’ data are stratified by high and low level of independence of the autistic adult. The question for the professionals was: “*For each type of adult education service available for autistic persons, select the availability that best fits what you know.*”

### Supplementary Data 6c

#### *Adult educational services availability by gender*

	Kind of adult educational service that was applied for, but failed (27 Autistic Adult, 13 male, 13 female, 1 Other/No answer)			Kind of adult educational service the adult got (67 Autistic Adult, 19 male, 45female, 3 Other/No answer)		
	Male	Female	Other/No answer	Male	Female	Other/No answer
Day school or college for adults with autism spectrum	4 (2.8)	2 (0.7)	1 (5.9)	5 (3.5)	5 (1.6)	1 (5.9)
Boarding school or college for adults with autism spectrum	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	2 (1.4)	1 (0.3)	0 (0.0)
Mentorship or specialist support in regular education settings	6 (4.2)	6 (2.0)	1 (4.2)	9 (6.3)	28 (9.1)	2 (8.3)

Other	4 (2.8)	5 (1.6)	0 (0.0)	6 (4.2)	13 (4.2)	0 (0.0)
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*Note.* Values expressed as number of responders and frequencies (in parenthesis). NA=Question not available for the correspondent group. Kind of adult education service that was applied for but failed: data are for adults and carers of adults who were not in an adult education service now or in the last 2 years but had tried to get an adult education service in the last 2 years and failed. Kind of adult education service the adult got: data are for adults and carers of adults who were in an adult education service now or in the last 2 years. The question for the autistic adults was: “What kind of adult education service were you trying to get? (Check all that apply).”

### Supplementary Data 6d

#### Preference of adult educational services by gender

	Autistic Adult (n=458)		
	Male (n=142)	Female (n=299)	Other/No answer (n=17)
Adult satisfied	53 (37.3)	106 (35.5)	5 (29.4)
Day school or college for adults with autism spectrum	26 (18.3)	39 (13.0)	3 (17.7)
Boarding school or college for adults with autism spectrum	6 (4.2)	8 (2.7)	2 (11.8)
Mentorship or specialist support in regular education settings	38 (26.8)	94 (31.4)	6 (35.3)
Other	19 (13.4)	52 (17.4)	1 (5.9)

*Note.* Values expressed as number of responders and frequencies (in parenthesis). NA=Question not available for the correspondent group. Data are for all adults and carers of adults. The question for the autistic adults was: “If you could choose an education service that fits your needs best now, what would you choose?(Please, tick 1 box)”.

### Supplementary Data 7a

#### Preferred financial services

	Carer (n=418)	
	Autistic adult (n=453)	Professional (n=88)
	High independence	Low independence (n=207)

	(n=211)			
	N (%)	N (%)	N (%)	N (%)
Adult satisfied	130 (28.7)	46 (21.8)	48 (23.1)	NA
I prefer not to make a choice	NA	NA	NA	10 (11.3)*
Stipend during school or job training	37 (8.1)	29 (13.7)	5 (2.4)	13 (16.7)
Unemployment benefits	16 (3.5)	6 (2.8)	0	6 (7.6)
Supplementary income for persons unable to have full employment	79 (17.4)	26 (12.3)	22 (10.6)	15 (19.2)
Full pension	56 (12.3)	26 (12.3)	53 (25.6)	11 (14.1)
Special 'insurance' to help pay for health care	21 (4.6)	2 (0.9)	6 (2.9)	1 (1.2)
Transportation benefits	11 (2.4)	3 (1.4)	6 (2.9)	3 (3.8)
Caregiver supplementary income	18 (3.9)	19 (9.0)	32 (15.4)	4 (5.1)
Supported employment	43 (9.4)	45 (21.3)	18 (8.7)	21 (26.9)
Other	42 (9.2)	9 (4.2)	17 (8.2)	4 (5.1)

*Note.* NA=Question not available for the correspondent group. Data are for all adults and carers of adults. The question for the autistic adults was: “If you could choose a financial service that fits your needs best now, what would you choose? (Please, tick 1 box)”. The question for the carers of autistic adults was: “If you could choose a financial service that fits the adult’s needs best now, what would you choose? (Please, tick 1 box)”. The carers’ data are stratified by high and low

level of independence of the autistic adult. The question for the professional was: “Which 2 types of financial services do you think are most needed for autistic adults in the (geographical) area where you work now? (Please, tick 2 boxes).” Professionals who selected “I prefer not to make a choice” are not included in the calculation of % for each of the other answer choices. The %s for the other answer choices are based on the professionals who made a choice, n=78 (88-10=78). \*This % is calculated on the total sample of the professionals’ responders (n=88).

## Supplementary Data 7b

### Financial services availability

	Kind of financial service that was applied for, but failed			Kind of financial service the adult got			Financial service availability				
	Autistic adult (n=49)	Carer High independence (n=19)	Carer Low independence (n=15)	Autistic adult (n=197)	Carer High independence (n=123)	Carer Low independence (n=147)	Professionals (n=52)	Currently available	Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available	Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country	Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available
Stipend /support during school or job training	4 (5.26)	6 (26.09)	1 (4.76)	39 (14.08)	27 (14.29)	18 (8.82)	37 (71.15)	3 (5.77)	2 (3.85)	1 (1.92)	9 (17.31)
Unemployment benefits	8 (10.53)	3 (13.04)	1 (4.76)	62 (22.38)	21 (11.11)	6 (2.94)	38 (73.08)	2 (3.85)	0	3 (5.77)	9 (17.31)
Supplementary income for	14 (18.42)	1 (4.35)	1 (4.76)	27 (9.75)	20 (10.58)	5 (2.45)	38 (73.08)	1 (1.92)	1 (1.92)	6 (11.54)	6 (11.54)

persons unable to have full employ ment											
Full pensi on	10 (13.16)	1 (4.35)	2 (9.52)	45 (16.25)	37 (19.58)	80 (39.22)	39 (75.00)	2 (3.85)	0	1 (1.92)	10 (19.23)
Special 'insura nce' to help pay for health care	6 (7.89)	2 (8.70)	2 (9.52)	7 (2.53)	6 (3.17)	6 (2.94)	15 (28.85)	2 (3.85)	1 (1.92)	5 (9.62)	29 (55.77)
Transp ortatio n benefit s	7 (9.21)	2 (8.70)	1 (4.76)	22 (7.94)	22 (11.64)	24 (11.76)	41 (78.85)	1 (1.92)	2 (3.85)	5 (9.62)	3 (5.77)
Transp ortatio n benefit s											
Caregi ver supple mentar y income	5 (6.58)	4 (17.39)	9 (42.86)	8 (2.89)	17 (8.99)	33 (16.18)	27 (51.92)	1 (1.92)	1 (1.92)	6 (11.54)	17 (32.69)
Suppor ted employ ment	3 (3.95)	1 (4.35)	0	13 (4.69)	8 (4.23)	1 (0.49)	37 (71.15)	2 (3.85)	1 (1.92)	0	12 (23.08)
Other	19 (25.00)	3 (13.04)	4 (19.05)	54 (19.49)	31 (16.40)	31 (15.19)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

*Note.* Values expressed as number of responders and frequencies (in parenthesis). NA=Question not available for the correspondent group. Kind of financial service that was applied for but failed: data are for adults and carers of adults who were not in a financial service now or in the last 2 years but had tried to get a financial service in the last 2 years and failed. Kind of financial service the adult got: data are for adults and carers of adults who were in a financial service now or in the last 2 years. The question for the autistic adults was: “*what kind of financial service were you trying to get? (Check all that apply).*” The question for the carers of autistic adults was: “*what kind of financial service did the adult, or someone for the adult, try to get? (Check all that apply)*”. The carers’ data are stratified by high and low level of independence of the autistic adult. The question for the professionals was: “*For each type of adult financial service available for autistic persons, select the availability that best fits what you know.*”

### Supplementary Data 7c

*Financial services availability by gender*

	Kind of financial service that was applied for, but failed (49 Autistic Adult, 19 male, 30 female, 0 Other/No answer)			Kind of financial service the adult got (197 Autistic, 55 male, 135 female, 7 Other/No Answer)		
	Male	Female	Other/No answer	Male	Female	Other/No answer
Stipend/support during school or job training	3 (2.1)	1 (0.3)	0 (0.0)	11 (7.6)	25 (8.1)	3 (17.7)
Unemployment benefits	4 (2.8)	4 (1.3)	0 (0.0)	12 (8.3)	48 (15.6)	2 (11.8)
Supplementary income for persons unable to have full employment	4 (2.8)	10 (3.3)	0 (0.0)	7 (4.9)	20 (6.5)	0 (0.0)
Full pension	2 (1.4)	8 (2.6)	0 (0.0)	11 (7.6)	31 (10.1)	3 (17.7)
Special 'insurance' to help pay for health care	4 (2.8)	2 (0.7)	0 (0.0)	3 (2.1)	4 (1.3)	0 (0.0)
Transportation benefits	5 (3.5)	2 (0.7)	0 (0.0)	8 (5.6)	14 (4.6)	0 (0.0)
Caregiver supplementary income	5 (3.5)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	2 (1.4)	6 (2.0)	0 (0.0)
Supported employment	3 (2.1)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	4 (2.8)	9 (2.9)	0 (0.0)
Other	5 (3.5)	14 (4.6)	0 (0.0)	18 (12.5)	36 (11.7)	0 (0.0)

*Note.* Values expressed as number of responders and frequencies (in parenthesis). NA=Question not available for the correspondent group. Kind of financial service that was applied for but failed: data are for adults and carers of adults who were not in a financial service now or in the last 2 years but had tried to get a financial service in the last 2 years and failed. Kind of financial service the adult got: data are for adults and carers of adults who were in a financial service now

or in the last 2 years. The question for the autistic adults was: “*what kind of financial service were you trying to get? (Check all that apply).*”

### Supplementary Data 7d

#### *Preference of financial services by gender*

	Autistic Adult (n=453)		Other/No answer (n=17)
	Male(n=141)	Female (n=295)	
Adult satisfied	44 (31.2)	79 (26.8)	7 (41.2)
Stipend during school or job training	14 (9.9)	21 (7.1)	2 (11.8)
Unemployment benefits	7 (5.0)	8 (2.7)	1 (5.9)
Supplementary income for persons unable to have full employment	17 (12.1)	61 (20.7)	1 (5.9)
Full pension	11 (7.8)	42 (14.2)	3 (17.7)
Special 'insurance' to help pay for health care	4 (2.8)	17 (5.8)	0 (0)
Transportation benefits	1 (0.7)	10 (3.4)	0 (0.0)
Caregiver supplementary income	12 (8.5)	6 (2.0)	0 (0.0)
Supported employment	21 (14.9)	21 (7.1)	1 (5.9)
Other	10 (7.1)	30 (10.2)	2 (11.8)

*Note.* Values expressed as number of responders and frequencies (in parenthesis). NA=Question not available for the correspondent group. Data are for all adults and carers of adults. The question for the autistic adults was: “*If you could choose a financial service that fits your needs best now, what would you choose? (Please, tick 1 box)*”.

## Supplementary Data 8a

### *Preference social support services*

	Autistic adult (n=444)	Carer (n=413)		Professional (n=207)
		High independence (n=207)	Low independence (n=206)	
	N (%)	N (%)	N (%)	N (%)
Adult satisfied	115 (25.9)	25 (12.0)	38 (18.4)	NA
I prefer not to make a choice	NA	NA	NA	21 (10.1)*
Life skills training	45 (10.1)	37 (17.8)	47 (22.8)	60 (32.2)
Support groups, on-line	9 (2.0)	3 (1.4)	0	5 (2.6)
Support groups, in person	31 (6.9)	8 (3.8)	1 (0.4)	14 (7.5)
Free time activities	34 (7.6)	20 (9.6)	30 (14.5)	23 (12.3)
Family relations support and counseling	31 (6.9)	12 (5.8)	9 (4.3)	14 (7.5)
Behavior training, for an individual	51 (11.4)	19 (9.1)	29 (14.0)	23 (12.3)
Behavior training, in groups	9 (2.0)	16 (7.7)	5 (2.4)	12 (6.4)
Program for matching autistic peers with each other	49 (11.0)	19 (9.1)	12 (5.8)	10 (5.3)
Program for matching an autistic person with a non-autistic	36 (8.1)	37 (17.8)	26 (12.6)	13 (6.9)

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Other 34 (7.6) 11 (5.3) 9 (4.3) 12 (6.4)

*Note.* NA=Question not available for the correspondent group. Data are for all adults and carers of adults. The question for the autistic adults was: “If you could choose a social support service that fits your needs best now, what would you choose? (Please, tick 1 box)”. The question for the carers of autistic adults was: “If you could choose a social support service that fits the adult’s needs best now, what would you choose? (Please, tick 1 box)”. The carers’ data are stratified by high and low level of independence of the autistic adult. The question for the professional was: “Which 2 types of social support services do you think are most needed for autistic adults in the (geographical) area where you work now? (Please, tick 2 boxes).” Professionals who selected “I prefer not to make a choice” are not included in the calculation of % for each of the other answer choices. The %s for the other answer choices are based on the professionals who made a choice, n=186 (207-21=186). \*This % is calculated on the total sample of the professionals’ responders (n=207).

## Supplementary Data 8b

### *Social support services availability*

	Kind of social support service that was applied for, but failed			Kind of social support service the adult got			Social support service availability				
	Autistic adult (n=37)	High independence (n=35)	Low independence (n=31)	Autistic adult (n=142)	High independence (n=73)	Low independence (n=80)	Professional (n=118)				
							Currently available	Not available now, but there are plans in motion to make it available	Not available now, but it is available in other areas of the country	Not available now and, to my knowledge, there are no plans to make it available	Don't know
Life skills training	15 (14.29)	9 (12.86)	16 (19.28)	57 (21.92)	40 (24.84)	38 (21.35)	104 (88.14)	0	2 (1.69)	4 (3.39)	8 (6.78)

Support groups, on-line	3 (2.86)	0	1 (1.20)	11 (4.23)	1 (0.62)	1 (0.56)	25 (21.19)	7 (5.93)	9 (7.63)	17 (14.41)	60 (50.85)
Support groups, in person	8 (7.62)	8 (4.71)	6 (7.23)	33 (12.69)	18 (11.18)	16 (8.99)	72 (61.02)	5 (4.249)	6 (5.08)	6 (5.08)	29 (24.58)
Free time activities	16 (15.24)	11 (15.71)	14 (16.87)	37 (14.23)	21 (13.04)	38 (21.35)	94 (79.66)	2 (1.69)	1 (0.85)	8 (6.78)	13 (11.02)
Family relations support and counseling	14 (13.33)	7 (10.00)	6 (7.23)	22 (8.46)	9 (5.59)	11 (6.18)	68 (57.63)	4 (3.39)	2 (1.69)	9 (7.63)	35 (29.66)
Behavior training, for an individual	14 (13.33)	7 (10.00)	11 (13.25)	27 (10.38)	20 (12.42)	22 (12.36)	62 (52.54)	0	7 (5.93)	13 (11.02)	36 (30.51)
Behavior training, in groups	8 (7.62)	3 (4.29)	7 (8.43)	13 (5.00)	12 (7.45)	18 (10.11)	51 (43.22)	1 (0.85)	7 (5.93)	14 (11.86)	45 (38.14)
Program for matching autistic peers with each other	12 (11.43)	6 (8.57)	7 (8.43)	21 (8.08)	10 (6.21)	10 (5.62)	34 (28.81)	12 (10.07)	3 (2.54)	16 (13.56)	53 (44.92)
Program for matching an autistic person with a non-autistic peer	10 (9.52)	8 (11.43)	9 (10.84)	2 (0.77)	11 (6.83)	8 (4.49)	32 (27.12)	6 (5.08)	4 (3.39)	19 (16.10)	57 (48.31)

Other	5 (4.76)	11 (15.71)	6 (7.23)	37 (14.23)	19 (11.80)	16 (8.99)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
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*Note.* Values expressed as number of responders and frequencies (in parenthesis). NA=Question not available for the correspondent group. Kind of social support service that was applied for, but failed: data are for adults and carers of adults who were not in a social support service now or in the last 2 years, but had tried to get a social support service in the last 2 years and failed. Kind of social support service the adult got: data are for adults and carers of adults who were in a social support service now or in the last 2 years. The question for the autistic adults was: “*what kind of social supportservice were you trying to get? (Check all that apply).*” The question for the carers of autistic adults was: “*what kind of social supportservice did the adult, or someone for the adult, try to get? (Check all that apply).*”. The carers’ data are stratified by high and low level of independence of the autistic adult. The question for the professionals was: “*For each type of adult social support service available for autistic persons, select the availability that best fits what you know.*”

### Supplementary Data 8c

#### *Social support services availability by gender*

	Kind of social support service that was applied for, but failed (37 Autistic Adult, 11 male, 24 female, 2 Other/No Answer)			Kind of social support service the adult got (142 Autistic Adult, 39 male, 98 female, 5 Other/No Answer)		
	Male	Female	Other/No Answer	Male	Female	Other/No Answer
Life skills training	3 (2.1)	11 (3.6)	1 (5.9)	21 (14.6)	34 (11.0)	2 (11.8)
Support groups, on-line	0 (0.0)	2 (0.7)	1 (5.9)	4 (2.8)	6 (2.0)	1 (5.9)
Support groups, in person	2 (1.4)	5 (1.6)	1 (5.9)	5 (3.5)	25 (8.1)	3 (17.7)
Free time activities	6 (4.2)	10 (3.3)	0 (0.0)	11 (7.6)	24 (7.8)	2 (11.8)
Family relations support and counseling	6 (4.2)	8 (2.6)	0 (0.0)	8 (5.6)	13 (4.2)	1 (5.9)

Behavior training, for an individual	5 (3.5)	8 (2.6)	1 (5.9)	5 (3.5)	21 (6.8)	1 (5.9)
Behavior training, in groups	2 (1.4)	5 (1.6)	1 (5.9)	4 (2.8)	8 (2.6)	1 (5.9)
Program for matching autistic peers with each other	2 (1.4)	8 (2.6)	2 (11.8)	8 (5.6)	10 (3.3)	3 (17.7)
Program for matching an autistic person with a non-autistic peer	3 (2.1)	6 (2.0)	1 (5.9)	1 (0.7)	1 (0.3)	0 (0.0)
Other	0 (0.0)	5 (1.6)	0 (0.0)	8 (5.6)	29 (9.4)	0 (0.0)

*Note.* Values expressed as number of responders and frequencies (in parenthesis). NA=Question not available for the correspondent group. Kind of social support service that was applied for, but failed: data are for adults and carers of adults who were not in a social support service now or in the last 2 years, but had tried to get a social support service in the last 2 years and failed. Kind of social support service the adult got: data are for adults and carers of adults who were in a social support service now or in the last 2 years. The question for the autistic adults was: “*what kind of social supportservice were you trying to get? (Check all that apply).*”

## Supplementary Data 8d

### *Preference of social support services by gender*

	Autistic Adult (n=444)		Other/No Answer (n=17)
	Male (n=138)	Female (n=289)	
Adult satisfied	41 (29.7)	71 (24.6)	3 (17.8)
Life skills training	16 (11.6)	28 (9.7)	1 (5.9)
Support groups, on-line	1 (0.7)	7 (2.4)	1 (5.9)
Support groups, in person	6 (4.4)	21 (7.3)	4 (23.5)

Free time activities	14 (10.1)	20 (6.9)	0 (0.0)
Family relations support and counseling	11 (8.0)	20 (6.9)	0 (0.0)
Behavior training, for an individual	14 (10.1)	36 (12.5)	1 (5.9)
Behavior training, in groups	3 (2.2)	6 (2.1)	0 (0.0)
Program for matching autistic peers with each other	13 (9.4)	33 (11.4)	3 (17.7)
Program for matching an autistic person with a non-autistic peer	12 (8.7)	20 (6.9)	4 (23.5)
Other	7 (5.1)	27 (9.3)	0 (0.0)

*Note.* Values expressed as number of responders and frequencies (in parenthesis). NA=Question not available for the correspondent group. Data are for all adults and carers of adults. The question for the autistic adults was: “If you could choose a social supportservice that fits your needs best now, what would you choose? (Please, tick 1 box)”.

## Supplementary Data 9

### *Service availability by countries*

Answer	Autistic adult		Carer	
	Yes, I have tried to get the service, and I did NOT succeed	N	Yes, the adult, or someone for the adult, tried to get the service, but did NOT succeed	N
<b>Residential</b>				
Denmark	23 (11.92)	193	11 (9.02)	122
Finland	6 (9.52)	63	8 (22.22)	36
France	7 (11.48)	61	11 (16.42)	67
Spain	2 (9.02)	22	5 (5.81)	86

Italy	6 (16.67)	36	3 (9.38)	32
Poland	1 (2.63)	38	5 (10.42)	48
Iceland	0 (0.00)	16	9 (22.50)	40
United Kingdom	1 (4.76)	21	0 (0.00)	6
Republic of Ireland	1 (7.69)	13	0 (0.00)	10
Germany	1 (16.67)	6	NA	NA

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**Employment**

Denmark	13 (6.74)	193	11 (9.02)	122
Finland	6 (9.52)	63	5 (13.89)	36
France	8 (13.11)	61	7 (10.45)	67
Spain	1 (4.54)	22	6 (6.98)	86
Italy	8 (22.22)	36	5 (12.63)	32
Poland	2 (5.26)	38	1 (2.08)	48
Iceland	0 (0.00)	16	5 (12.50)	40
United Kingdom	3 (14.29)	21	0 (0.00)	6
Republic of Ireland	1 (7.69)	13	1 (10.00)	10
Germany	1 (16.67)	6	NA	NA

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**Education**

Denmark	6 (3.11)	193	9 (7.38)	122
Finland	6 (9.52)	63	5 (13.89)	36
France	4 (6.58)	61	9 (13.43)	67

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Spain	1 (4.55)	22	5 (5.81)	86
Italy	7 (19.44)	36	3 (9.38)	32
Poland	0 (0.00)	38	4 (8.33)	48
Iceland	0 (0.00)	16	2 (5.00)	40
United Kingdom	1 (4.76)	21	0 (0.00)	6
Republic of Ireland	2 (15.38)	13	2 (20.00)	10
Germany	0 (0.00)	6	NA	NA

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**Financial**

Denmark	11 (5.70)	193	12 (9.84)	122
Finland	9 (14.29)	63	3 (8.33)	36
France	13 (21.31)	61	5 (7.46)	67
Spain	5 (22.73)	22	6 (6.98)	86
Italy	5 (13.89)	36	3 (9.38)	32
Poland	2 (5.26)	38	2 (4.17)	48
Iceland	0 (0.00)	16	2 (5.00)	40
United Kingdom	2 (9.52)	21	0 (0.00)	6
Republic of Ireland	1 (7.69)	13	1 (10.00)	10
Germany	1 (16.67)	6	NA	NA

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**Social support**

Denmark	12 (6.22)	193	15 (12.30)	122
Finland	5 (7.93)	63	6 (16.67)	36

France	10 (16.39)	61	13 (19.40)	67
Spain	3 (13.64)	22	8 (9.30)	86
Italy	3 (8.33)	36	7 (21.88)	32
Poland	0 (0.00)	38	5 (10.42)	48
Iceland	1 (6.25)	16	10 (25.00)	40
United Kingdom	2 (9.52)	21	0 (0.00)	6
Republic of Ireland	1 (7.69)	13	2 (20.00)	10
Germany	0 (0.00)	6	NA	NA

*Note.* Values expressed as number of responders and frequencies (in parenthesis). The question for the autistic adults was: “What kind of residential service were you trying to get? (Check all that apply).” The question for the autistic adults was: “Have you tried to get a service at some time in the last 2 years?”. The question for the carers was: “Has the adult, or someone for the adult, tried to get the service at some time in the last 2 years?”

## Supplementary Data 10

### Recommended residential services provision

	Autistic adult (n=137)				Carer (n=216)				Professional (n=173)					
	Yes	No	Does not apply	Don't know	Yes	No	Does not apply	Don't know	Yes	No, but there are plans in motion to get it started	No, but I believe that it may be helpful	No, and I believe that it is not needed	Does not apply	Don't know
Structured activities for the residents	71 (51.82)	35 (25.55)	22 (16.06)	9 (6.57)	137 (63.43)	48 (22.22)	17 (7.87)	14 (6.48)	145 (83.82)	6 (3.47)	9 (5.20)	1 (0.58)	2 (1.16)	10 (5.78)

Activities for the residents to feel part of the community	54 (39.42)	48 (35.04)	27 (19.71)	8 (5.84)	119 (55.09)	59 (27.31)	17 (7.87)	21 (9.72)	134 (77.46)	8 (4.62)	14 (8.09)	2 (1.16)	1 (0.58)	14 (8.09)
Opportunities for the residents to go into different places in the community	69 (50.36)	43 (31.39)	17 (12.41)	8 (5.84)	127 (58.80)	58 (26.85)	19 (8.80)	12 (5.56)	136 (78.61)	5 (2.89)	11 (6.36)	5 (2.89)	3 (1.73)	13 (7.51)
A physical environment that is adapted to the needs of adults with autism spectrum	53 (38.69)	43 (31.39)	27 (19.71)	14 (10.22)	127 (58.80)	64 (29.63)	13 (6.02)	12 (5.56)	121 (69.94)	10 (5.78)	25 (14.45)	3 (1.73)	2 (1.16)	12 (6.94)
Staff with speci	65 (47.45)	49 (35.77)	8 (5.84)	15 (10.95)	128 (59.26)	63 (29.17)	7 (3.24)	18 (8.33)	136 (78.61)	8 (4.62)	15 (8.67)	1 (0.58)	1 (0.58)	12 (6.94)

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*Note.* Values expressed as number of responders and frequencies (in parenthesis). NA=Question not available for the correspondent group. Data are for adults and carers of adults in a residential service now or in the last 2 years, and for professionals with current work experience with residential services. The question for the autistic adults and carers was: "Does or did the residential service provide:". The question for the professional was: "To the best of your knowledge, do the residential services for adults in the (geographical) area where you work now provide:"

## Supplementary Data 11

## Waiting time for services

	Autistic adult					Carer					Professional					
	< 1 mon th	1-3 mon ths	3-6 mon ths	> 6 mon ths	N	< 1 mon th	1-3 mon ths	3-6 mon ths	> 6 mon ths	N	< 1 mon th	1-3 mon ths	3-6 mon ths	> 6 mon ths	Don 't kno w	N
Waiting time for a residential service																
Residential service	30 (25. 42)	37 (31. 36)	24 (20. 34)	27 (22. 88)	128	39 (22. 67)	40 (23. 26)	26 (15. 12)	67 (38. 95)	172	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Help in own home	20 (24. 69)	29 (35. 80)	16 (19. 75)	16 (19. 75)	81	14 (31. 11)	15 (33. 33)	5 (11. 11)	11 (24. 44)	45	43 (26. 06)	37 (22. 42)	10 (6.0 6)	14 (8.4 8)	61 (36. 97)	165
Day centre	3 (21. 43)	5 (35. 70)	3 (21. 43)	3 (21. 43)	14	11 (26. 19)	9 (21. 43)	9 (21. 43)	13 (30. 95)	42	32 (19. 28)	32 (19. 28)	6 (3.6 1)	31 (18. 67)	65 (39. 16)	166
Full time residential facility	2 (18. 18)	0	3 (27. 27)	6 (54. 55)	11	17 (20. 99)	11 (13. 58)	15 (18. 52)	38 (46. 91)	81	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Full time residential facility with private bedroom only	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	2 (1.2 7)	19 (12. 10)	16 (10. 19)	51 (32. 48)	69 (43. 95)	157
Full time residential	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	3 (1.9 5)	26 (16. 88)	16 (10. 39)	41 (26. 62)	68 (44. 16)	154

facility with full apartment																	
Help at college or school dormitory	0	2 (100.00)	0	0	2	0	1 (25.00)	1 (25.00)	2 (50.00)	4	11 (7.10)	17 (10.97)	13 (8.39)	21 (13.55)	93 (60.00)	155	
Caregiver respite care	1 (11.11)	4 (44.44)	2 (22.22)	2 (22.22)	9	10 (50.00)	6 (30.00)	2 (10.00)	2 (10.00)	20	18 (11.04)	30 (18.40)	14 (8.59)	10 (6.13)	91 (55.83)	163	
Other	10 (30.26)	9 (29.03)	6 (19.35)	6 (19.35)	31	5 (17.24)	7 (24.14)	3 (10.34)	14 (48.28)	29	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	

Waiting time for an employment service

Employment service	47 (40.17)	34 (29.06)	23 (19.66)	13 (11.11)	117	35 (35.35)	22 (22.22)	19 (19.19)	23 (23.23)	99	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Employment skills training	9 (40.91)	6 (27.27)	4 (18.18)	3 (13.64)	22	6 (26.09)	7 (30.43)	8 (34.78)	2 (8.70)	23	18 (18.18)	23 (23.23)	6 (6.06)	7 (7.07)	45 (45.45)	99
Community job center	15 (45.45)	12 (36.36)	2 (6.06)	4 (12.12)	33	9 (47.37)	7 (36.84)	2 (10.53)	1 (5.26)	19	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Job placement	4 (50.00)	1 (12.50)	1 (12.50)	2 (25.00)	8	3 (42.86)	2 (28.57)	1 (14.29)	1 (14.29)	7	9 (9.68)	18 (19.35)	8 (8.60)	6 (6.45)	52 (55.91)	93

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Em ploy men t cou nse ling spec ific for pers ons with auti sm spec tru m	1 (10. 00)	6 (60. 00)	1 (10. 00)	2 (20. 00)	10	3 (30. 00)	2 (20. 00)	3 (30. 00)	2 (20. 00)	10	10 (10. 42)	20 (20. 83)	2 (2.0 8)	7 (7.2 9)	57 (59. 38)	96	
Inte rnsh ips or wor k plac eme nt	12 (26. 09)	19 (41. 30)	9 (19. 57)	6 (13. 04)	46	12 (32. 43)	6 (16. 22)	9 (24. 32)	10 (27. 03)	37	11 (10. 48)	21 (20. 00)	10 (9.5 2)	7 (6.6 7)	56 (53. 33)	105	
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Shel tere d emp loy men	5 (38. 46)	4 (30. 77)	2 (15. 38)	2 (15. 38)	13	6 (42. 86)	3 (21. 43)	2 (14. 29)	3 (21. 43)	14	15 (14. 29)	21 (20. 00)	5 (4.7 6)	11 (10. 48)	53 (50. 48)	105	

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Job men tors	18 (41. 86)	12 (27. 91)	10 (23. 26)	3 (6.9 8)	43	11 (29. 73)	9 (24. 32)	8 (21. 62)	9 (24. 32)	37	18 (17. 65)	24 (23. 53)	2 (1.9 6)	7 (6.8 6)	51 (50. 00)	102
Oth er	10 (34. 48)	9 (31. 03)	6 (20. 69)	4 (13. 79)	29	9 (32. 14)	8 (28. 57)	3 (10. 71)	8 (28. 57)	29	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

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Adu lt edu cati on serv ice	29 (52. 72)	16 (29. 09)	6 (10. 90)	4 (7.2 7)	55	40 (40. 00)	25 (25. 00)	11 (11. 00)	24 (24. 00)	100	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
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Waiting time for a financial service

Finan cial serv ice	57 (34. 34)	51 (30. 72)	32 (19. 28)	26 (15. 66)	166	56 (24. 67)	74 (32. 60)	37 (16. 30)	60 (26. 43)	227	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Stip end/ sup port duri ng scho ol or job train ing	9 (27. 27)	14 (42. 42)	8 (24. 24)	2 (6.0 6)	33	13 (32. 50)	19 (47. 50)	4 (10. 00)	4 (10. 00)	40	10 (20. 00)	5 (10. 00)	2 (4.0 0)	7 (14. 00)	26 (52. 00)	50
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Full pension	2 (5.56)	12 (33.33)	12 (33.33)	10 (27.78)	36	22 (23.66)	31 (33.33)	14 (15.05)	26 (27.96)	93	2 (4.00)	3 (6.00)	6 (12.00)	10 (20.00)	29 (58.00)	50
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Special 'insurance' to help pay for health care

	0	3 (60.00)	0	2 (40.00)	5	3 (37.50)	3 (37.50)	0	2 (25.00)	8	1 (2.13)	1 (2.13)	0	4 (8.51)	41 (87.23)	47
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Transportation benefits

Transportation benefits	9 (42.86)	7 (33.33)	2 (9.52)	3 (14.29)	21	4 (11.11)	20 (55.56)	4 (11.11)	8 (22.22)	36	12 (26.09)	5 (10.87)	1 (2.17)	6 (13.04)	22 (47.83)	46
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Car giver supplementary income

Car giver supplementary income	1 (14.29)	1 (14.29)	3 (42.86)	2 (28.57)	7	7 (15.91)	16 (36.36)	5 (11.36)	16 (36.36)	44	2 (4.08)	7 (14.29)	1 (2.04)	5 (10.20)	34 (69.39)	49
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Supported employment

Supported employment	4 (33.33)	2 (16.67)	4 (33.33)	2 (16.67)	12	1 (12.50)	4 (50.00)	0	3 (37.50)	8	6 (12.00)	5 (10.00)	0	5 (10.00)	34 (68.00)	50
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Oth er	17 (37. 78)	14 (31. 11)	8 (17. 78)	6 (13. 33)	45	9 (16. 97)	16 (29. 63)	15 (27. 78)	14 (25. 93)	54	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
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## Waiting time for a social support service

Soci al sup port serv ice	47 (40. 17)	43 (36. 75)	19 (16. 24)	8 (6.8 4)	117	53 (44. 17)	33 (27. 50)	14 (11. 67)	20 (16. 67)	120	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Life skill s train ing	15 (30. 61)	23 (46. 94)	7 (14. 29)	4 (8.1 6)	49	36 (56. 25)	13 (20. 31)	6 (9.3 8)	9 (14. 06)	64	35 (30. 70)	31 (27. 19)	3 (2.6 3)	10 (8.7 7)	35 (30. 70)	114
Sup port grou ps on- line	7 (87. 50)	1 (12. 50)	0	0	8	2 (100 .00)	0	0	0	2	17 (17. 53)	5 (5.1 5)	1 (1.0 3)	2 (2.0 6)	72 (74. 23)	97
Sup port grou ps, in pers on	16 (53. 33)	11 (36. 67)	3 (10. 00)	0	30	13 (44. 83)	5 (17. 24)	6 (20. 69)	5 (17. 24)	29	21 (19. 44)	24 (22. 22)	4 (3.7 0)	3 (2.7 8)	56 (51. 85)	108
Free time acti vities	14 (46. 67)	13 (43. 33)	1 (3.3 3)	2 (6.6 7)	30	24 (55. 81)	11 (25. 58)	3 (6.9 8)	5 (11. 63)	43	32 (29. 63)	20 (18. 52)	3 (2.7 8)	4 (3.7 0)	49 (45. 37)	108
Fam ily relat ions sup port and coun sel ing	5 (26. 35)	11 (57. 89)	3 (15. 79)	0	19	11 (64. 71)	2 (11. 76)	0	4 (23. 53)	17	15 (13. 51)	21 (18. 92)	1 (0.9 0)	5 (4.5 0)	69 (62. 16)	111
Beh avio r train ing, for	8 (34. 78)	11 (47. 83)	3 (13. 04)	1 (4.3 5)	23	20 (58. 82)	3 (8.8 2)	3 (8.8 2)	8 (23. 53)	34	13 (12. 15)	18 (16. 82)	1 (0.9 3)	6 (5.6 1)	69 (64. 49)	107

an individual																
Behavior training, in groups	3 (30.00)	4 (40.00)	2 (20.00)	1 (10.00)	10	10 (41.67)	5 (20.83)	2 (8.33)	7 (29.17)	24	7 (6.60)	20 (18.87)	2 (1.89)	4 (3.77)	73 (68.87)	106
Program for matching autistic peers with other	9 (52.94)	7 (41.18)	1 (5.88)	0	17	5 (35.71)	3 (21.43)	2 (14.29)	4 (28.57)	14	7 (7.29)	9 (9.38)	0	2 (2.08)	78 (81.25)	96
Program for matching autistic persons with non-autistic persons	1 (50.00)	0	1 (50.00)	0	2	8 (47.06)	3 (17.65)	1 (5.88)	5 (29.41)	17	4 (4.26)	4 (4.26)	0	2 (2.13)	84 (89.36)	94
Other	14 (43.75)	10 (31.25)	7 (21.88)	1 (3.13)	32	8 (30.77)	11 (42.31)	4 (15.38)	3 (11.54)	26	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

*Note.* Values expressed as number of responders and frequencies (in parenthesis). NA=Question not available for the correspondent group. Frequencies are based on respondents who selected a waiting time (excluding respondents who selected the answer choice “Don’t know” or “The service is not currently available” (professionals)). The question (sections in grey) for the autistic adults was: “What was the waiting time before you could get into the <residential, employment, education, financial, social support> service; for carers was: “What was the waiting time for the adult to get into the <residential, employment, education, financial, social support>service?”. The question (other sections) for the autistic adults was: “What was the waiting time for you (carers: the adult) to get into the <residential, employment, education, financial, social support> service?”. The question for the professionals was: “To the best of your knowledge,

what is the waiting time before an autistic adult can get into the following <residential, employment, education, financial, social support> services in the (geographical) area where you work now? ”.

**Supplementary Data 12**

*Service staff training*

Autistic adult																												
Residential service					Employment service					Adult educated service					Financial service					Social support service								
So me we re an d so me we re not		Do n't kn ow		Ye s		No		So me we re an d so me we re not		Do n't kn ow		Ye s		No		So me we re an d so me we re not		Do n't kn ow		Ye s		No		So me we re an d so me we re not		Do n't kn ow		
n=166					n=157					n=80					n=242					n=165								
Se em kn ow led ge ab le	47	57	48	14	20	48	71	18	17	20	30	13	20	59	11	44	63	52	39	11								
ab out aut is m sp ect ru m	(2	(3	(2	(8.43)	(1	(3	(4	(1	(2	(2	(3	(1	(8.26)	(2	(4	(1	(3	(3	(2	(6.67)								
Se em kn ow led ge ab le	46	50	43	27	31	44	63	19	14	21	31	14	37	59	10	44	56	48	46	15								
ab	(2	(3	(2	(16.27)	(1	(2	(4	(1	(1	(2	(3	(1	(1	(2	(4	(1	(3	(2	(2	(9.09)								

out the kinds of services and care that we're available for adults with autism spectrum. Provide information about care and services that we're easy to

36	43	69	18	29	42	76	10	17	24	30	9	38	43	12	35	58	40	53	14
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1.6	5.9	1.5	.84	8.4	6.7	8.4	37	1.2	0.0	7.5	1.2	5.7	7.7	5	4.4	5.1	4.2	2.1	48
9)	0)	7)	)	7)	5)	1)	)	5)	0)	0)	5)	0)	7)	7)	6)	5)	4)	2)	)

understand by the autistic adult

Carer

	n=257			n=153			n=150			n=297			n=212							
Seemingly knowledgeable about autism spectrum	111	82	51	13	47	48	47	11	60	56	28	6	59	10	98	34	10	64	32	12
	(4)	(3)	(1)	(5.06)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(7.19)	(4)	(3)	(1)	(4.00)	(1)	(3)	(3)	(1)	(4)	(3)	(1)	(5.66)
	3.19	1.91	9.84		0.72	1.37	0.72		0.00	7.33	8.67		9.87	5.69	3.00	1.45	9.06	0.19	5.09	66
Seemingly knowledgeable about the kinds of services and car	106	67	57	27	40	41	55	17	54	46	39	11	54	92	11	39	96	56	49	11
	(4)	(2)	(2)	(10)	(2)	(2)	(3)	(1)	(3)	(3)	(2)	(7.33)	(1)	(3)	(3)	(1)	(4)	(2)	(2)	(5.19)
	1.25	6.07	2.18	.51	6.14	6.80	5.95	1.11	6.00	0.67	6.00	33	8.18	0.98	7.71	3.13	5.28	6.42	3.11	19

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0.3	1.0	8.1	.51	0.2	6.8	9.8	3.0	2.6	5.3	2.6	33	1.7	2.2	(5	2.7	6.7	7.3	0.1	66
5)	1)	3)	)	6)	0)	7)	7)	7)	3)	7)	)	8)	2)	3.2	9)	9)	6)	9)	)
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*Note.* Values expressed as number of responders and frequencies (in parenthesis). The question was: “At the organization, did the employees that worked with you (carer: the adult) to apply for <residential, employment, education, financial, social support> services:”

### Supplementary Data 13

#### Good local models

	Autistic adult				Carer				Professional			
	Yes	No	Don't know	N	Yes	No	Don't know	N	Yes	No	Don't know	N
Residential service	82 (17.48)	278 (59.28)	109 (23.24)	469	153 (34.77)	210 (47.73)	77 (17.50)	440	125 (72.67)	22 (12.79)	25 (14.53)	172
Employment service	44 (9.52)	302 (65.37)	116 (25.11)	462	83 (19.26)	261 (60.56)	87 (20.19)	431	63 (55.26)	30 (26.32)	21 (18.42)	114
Adult education service	46 (10.07)	315 (68.93)	96 (21.01)	457	77 (18.33)	255 (60.71)	88 (20.95)	420	40 (52.63)	14 (18.42)	22 (28.95)	76
Financial service	45 (9.93)	303 (66.89)	105 (23.18)	453	61 (14.63)	253 (60.67)	103 (24.70)	417	19 (36.54)	14 (26.92)	19 (36.54)	52
Social support service	64 (14.41)	291 (65.54)	89 (20.05)	444	72 (17.43)	238 (57.63)	103 (24.94)	413	56 (47.46)	22 (18.64)	40 (33.90)	118

*Note.* Values expressed as number of responders and frequencies (in parenthesis). The question was: “Do you know of a <residential, employment, education, financial, social> service for adults, in your area or elsewhere in your country, which works very well for adults on the autism spectrum?”.